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THE COUNTY BUILDINGS.

Shall the people of Oxford County have an opportunity to vote on their removal or not is the question that the County Commissioners are to decide next Thursday. We shall give a full report of their meeting.

The Hidden City.

THIS POWERFUL STORY, FULL OF THRILLING ADVENTURE, SHOULD BE READ BY ALL. WILL COMMENCE IN THE NEXT ADVERTISER.

By Walter H. McDougall.

SUBSCRIPTION NOTICE.

If blue mark is drawn through this paragraph it shows you that your subscription to this paper expires, and no more papers will be sent unless it is renewed.

BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices will be inserted for 10 cents per line each insertion.

Remember C. N. Tubbs & Co. will sell you three cans of sweet corn for 25 cts.

Ladies, look! A $1.00 corset for 87 cts. at G. M. Packard's.

Dennis Pike has plenty of live bait for sale, also lines and reels to let. Call at soap factory, No. 5 Paris St. 2wk

Read Hills new ad.

Bensdorps Cocoa is the best and C. N. Tubbs & Co. have it.

Hills has repaired more watches during the past six years than all the jewelers in Oxford Co. combined.

The person who lost his scarf at the Universalist shed can have it by calling at this office. W. H. Buck left it here.

Dainty flake candy is the seller. Try it at Hamlin & Bicknell's. Oranges 20 cts. a dozen, lemons 15 cts. a dozen, figs 15 cts. a pound.

At Stone's you will find some handsome patterns of room papers and borders, spring styles just received.

Plain China silk 38 cts. a yard at G. M. Packard's.

Hills is the only practical optician in Oxford Co.

Children's plush bonnets only 25 cts. at G. M. Packard's.

Largest stock of silver ware at Hills'.

The best line of writing paper, blocks and tablets can be found at Stone's.

The World's Fair Souvenir Medals can be found at Hills, the Jewelers; only 25 cents. Ask to see them.

G. M. Packard has a few misses' and children's trimmed hats to close at $1.50 each, former price $2.25.

Go to Hills' for watches, clocks, jewelry, at Hills'.

Fred A. Cole is at work with Horace Cole the jeweler. He is a practical watch maker and has had 25 years experience at the bench.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. I. H. Leavitt has a new sign at her restaurant in the Old Bank Building.

Mary Frost of Boston is visiting in town.

The W. R. C. officers and S. of V. will be installed Friday evening, Jan. 20.

The ladies of the Congregational Society will hold a circle in the vestry of the church on Tuesday evening of next week. A short entertainment will be given after the supper.

The rebel spy, who will lecture in Concert Hall, Saturday evening, was at one time Colonel on the staff of Stonewall Jackson. She will tell you about it also how she cared for the sick and wounded soldiers and how it seems to live in prison and to be sentenced to be shot. She tells how she escaped and how she was captured by the first Maine Cavalry.

Dr. Bial B. Bradbury and C. D. Waters had a mid-winter house warming and Clam Chowder at Twin Island Club recently. The skating on the lake was not the best but traveling by sleds, sleighs and wagons could not be more perfect. S. H. Walcott and O. A. Kneeland, occasionally assisted by members of the party, made the chowder and it was a good one too. There was a big blaze in the fireplace and many a stump was consumed as the day was cold. Two large brush heaps on Partridge Island, which has recently been bought by C. L. Hathaway, was burnt. A bill of fare a foot long or so was laid beside each plate and the guests were expected to sample the whole of it. The following was the menu:

Reception. We greet thee.
As we journey thro' life let us live as we go.
Twin Island, Jan'y 4th, 1893.
Clam Chowder, a La Kneeland.
Beefsteak, Potatoes, a La Twin Island.
Bread, a La Bake Shop.
Butter, Cheese, a La Bovine Quadruped.
Mince Pie, Cake, Apple Pie, a La Family.
Coffee, a La Mocha.
Cigars, a La Habana.
Water, a La Cinnamon Camp.
Notice.—We don't know what a La implies and will not be responsible for its effect upon the mind or body of any guest.

This is a list of those present:

C. M. Smith.
W. C. Cole.
O. N. Bradbury, M. D.
Geo. A. Gunn.
Horace Cole.
H. D. Smith.
Col. W. W. Whitmarsh.
C. L. Hathaway.
C. H. Sargent.
Capt. W. E. Bisbee.
Hon. A. S. Kimball.
T. L. Webb.
Geo. A. Cole.
M. M. Fuller.
C. L. Cummings.
G. E. Ham.
C. D. Waters.
Bial F. Bradbury, M. D.
S. H. Walcott.
O. A. Kneeland.
F. W. Sanborn.

S. H. Hayden is soon to move to Auburn.

Hon. A. S. Kimball was nominated by the Democrats for Councillor.

Mrs. Harriet M. Frost has returned from the West.

Installation of officers of Harry Rust Post Friday evening, Jan. 20, 1893. The Post is to be inspected at the same time.

Capt. Edmund Ames is stopping in Massachusetts this winter. He has been there several weeks.

Henry F. Favor, who is at work at carpentering at Brockton, Mass., was in town the past week. He has now returned to Massachusetts.

The rumored shoe store that was supposed to have leased the store in the Noyes Block is a myth. The store has not been rented.

Belle Boyd, the rebel spy, was once taken prisoner by Gen. Geo. L. Beal of this town. She will tell you about it at Concert Hall, Saturday evening.

L. Ellen Frost, Mrs. Kate Jones, W. F. Otis and Mary Jones are going to California this week to spend the remainder of the winter. They go on account of Otis Jones' health.

The annual meeting of the Odd Fellows Graded Mutual Relief Association of Maine will be held at Odd Fellows Hall on Monday evening, Jan. 16, at 7½ o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

Mrs. Nellie T. Etters, who has been sick since September 1st, was kindly remembered by her friends Christmas morning bright and early with a purse of $30.00.

Among the names of the members of the Colby Glee Club, we notice some that are familiar. V. M. Whitman and Freeland Howe, jr., of our town are in the company.

E. F. Bicknell and wife attended the reception at the Beal's Hotel and their names should have appeared in the list of guests published last week, but were accidentally omitted.

Frank Faunce is presenting his customers with a bird's-eye-view of the World's Columbian Exposition. It is a nicely gotten up affair and is very similar to what is sold on the trains for 50 cents.

The new catalogue of the Norway Public Library contains 80 pages and is arranged alphabetically by authors and by titles. Also the fiction, history, literary, etc are indicated. It is a very convenient catalogue. They sell for 25 cents each.

S. H. Howe, formerly of Norway, is now in the Land and Loan Business at Luverne, Minn., under the firm name of A. P. Adams & Co. An illustrated edition of the Rock County Herald speaks in highest praise of the firm and their business.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Beal's Hotel Company was held last Tuesday evening. Geo. A. Cole was elected president with A. F. Andrews vice-president, F. W. Sanborn secretary and treasurer. Directors, A. F. Andrews, C. N. Tubbs and F. W. Sanborn.

Sheriff J. L. Parker of Oxford county has appointed as his deputies: Jonathan Blake and A. P. Bassett of Norway, E. F. Stone of South Paris, Chandler Garland and W. E. Perkins of Paris Hill, J. R. Tucker of West Paris, J. W. Whitten of Buckfield, A. B. Godwin and C. M. Wormell of Bethel.

Pennesseewassee Lodge, No. 18, K. of P., have elected the following officers: P. C., H. Clark; C. C., O. M. Cummings; V. C., M. L. Kimball; P., T. L. Webb; K. of R. and S., A. Hibbard; M. of F., J. H. Hamlin; M. of E., Horace Cole; Trustee, T. Heath; Representative to Grand Lodge, G. A. Wilkins; Alternate, Geo. E. Lasselle.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Norway Club, Jan. 5th, the following officers were elected: Pres., Geo. A. Shurtleff; Vice Pres., H. B. Foster; Sec. and Treas., F. R. Taylor; Executive Com., Chas. G. Mason, W. W. Whitmarsh and Bert Stone. After the formal business of the evening was concluded, a clam supper and music caused the rest of the evening to pass very acceptably.

There is talk now of extending the electric railroad that is talked of being built to Mechanic Falls to Page's Mills, Welchville, Oxford, Norway granite ledge, Norway, Frost Corner and North Norway. There is not the least doubt if it gets so far that it will stop there, but be extended North or West, or both, through other prosperous towns and villages in our county.

The lightest, jolliest music of the day is the College song. New tunes and catching words go to make up College music, and it is only once in a while that we are so fortunate as to have the opportunity to hear such. Next Thursday at the Congregational church a genuine Glee Club will render the latest things in College songs. Popular prices. Don't forget. Thursday, Jan. 19.

ACCOUNT OF STOCK HAS BEEN TAKEN!

WE ARE READY FOR 1893

With the Cleanest and Best assorted stock we have ever taken. We never advertise goods at (or below) cost. We always intend to make a small margin. We believe it better to sell $2,500 a month, at a small profit, than try to sell half that amount at a larger profit, consequently our increasing sales to some of the BEST trade in this and adjoining towns testify. PORK, LARD, TOMATOES, TEA, COFFEE, etc., have all advanced. You will find our prices at *BOTTOM*, as we carry quite a stock. If you are looking for a

Good Nice FLOUR or MOLASSES, TEA or COFFEE,

We Have It: and at the Right Price.

Look for our Bulletin for 1893; it will be a Rattler for Bargains through the year. Send to us for prices. We can please you. Respectfully,

HAMLIN & BICKNELL,

135 Main Street, - - - - - Norway, Maine.

New Room Papers and Borders

For the Spring Trade are now arriving.

We shall have a larger and better assortment than ever before, and our prices will be low.

STONE, THE DRUGGIST,

Norway, - - - - - Maine.

THE COUNTY BUILDINGS!

They may move them, but whether they do or not, we shall be here as ever, ready and anxious to show you

THE LARGEST, CLEANEST, BEST

—STOCK OF—

BOOTS, SHOES AND RUBBERS

ever shown in this town. We also do Repairing. Do not forget the place.

SMILEY SHOE STORE,

Opposite Elm House, - - - Norway, Me.

E. N. SWETT, Manager.

Hills, the Jeweler and Optician,

Has the largest NEW seasonable and stylish stock of *WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY* and *SILVERWEAR*, in Oxford County.

Hills, the Jeweler, has repaired more watches during the past six years, than any two Jewelers in Oxford County combined.

— SPECTACLES AND EYE GLASSES. —

Remember Hills is the only Optician in Oxford County who has ever attended a school of Optics.

Remember Hills cannot and will not be undersold. Look out for blow.

VIVIAN W. HILLS, Jeweler and Optician, - - - Norway, Me.

Lawson Frost of Boston is visiting his mother, Mrs. Harriet M. Frost.

Gen. Geo. L. Beal has been re-elected State Treasurer.

Capt. W. W. Whitmarsh has recieved the appointment of Aide-de-Camp on Gov. Cleaves staff.

J. H. Haselton opened another dancing school of 27 couples at Ryerson Hall, last evening.

There will be a W. C. T. U. meeting in Union Hall, Monday evening at the usual time.

The ladies of the Baptist church will have a bake bean and and clam chowder supper Jan. 18.

Social dance at Norway Opera House Friday evening, Jan. 20th. Stearns and Norseworthy's orchestra, 6 pieces. A grand time is expected.

Mrs. A. S. Kimball was called to Portland this week on account of the sickness of her sister, Mrs. G. O. Bailey. Mrs. Bailey has typhoid pnemonia.

Fred E. Everett of Boston, was in town recently. He reports business in his line to be good. His office is at 13 School Street, Room 53, and he does business as a real estate dealer and broker.

Noyes & Andrews will occupy the T. L. Webb store as soon as vacated. Cheney is working on the Millett store, painting, papering, etc., prior to Webb's moving.

Jas. A. Tuell has a new trotter called "sorrel Jim." Mell Sampson has a pacer that is some "sticks" to go. Both think their horse can get there first but Jim says he will trot Mell's pacer for "money, boots or shavings" at any time.

Belle Boyd was twice sentenced to be shot, eleven months a prisoner of war and was finally banished from the country by Abraham Lincoln. She will give an interesting narrative of her life at Concert Hall, Saturday evening. Tickets 25 cents.

Fred Cole, jeweler, recently of Springfield, Mass., is working for his brother, Horace Cole. Fred Cole has not been in town for some eight years. He has been in the jewelry trade in Springfield, but his place of business was destroyed by fire some four weeks ago.

Rev. Wm. Curtis Stiles has received and accepted a call to the Congregational church in Jackson Mich. This is a church of 530 members, the largest and wealthiest with one exception in Mich. of the Congregational order. He will close up his literary labors in New York and begin his pastorate Jan. 15th.

A leak was started in the water pipe on Main near Danforth street. The work of stopping it is progressing. The water on Main street from the Beal's Hotel to Paris street will be shut off this Friday. Remember on Main street only between the two points. Get a supply of water before it is shut off.

By request, Belle Boyd, the rebel spy, will give a narrative of the perils of a spy at Concert Hall, Saturday evening, the 14th. It will be remembered that she spoke in the Opera House a few weeks ago and pleased her audience very much. Price of admission 25 cents. You should not fail to hear her.

There is to be an Orange Supper at Concert Hall, Tuesday, the 24th. This Orange Supper is gotten up especially for the married men by the young ladies, and the married men are expected to pay a slight advance in the regular admission for it. There will be the usual supper at the same time so those who are not fortunate enough to be married and all others need not go hungry.

Last Monday evening at the Literary Society J. H. Huntress read a lively poem on "Satan's Plea for Hades." The paper read by Kate Hobbs and Mattie D. Tracy contained a number of fine articles. Instead of a debate there was a general discussion of the ideal education. At the next meeting Stephen B. Cummings will give an illustrated lecture on Astronomy.

There was an installation at Norway Division Sons of Temperance last Saturday evening, J. H. Huntress, D. G. W. P., officiating as Installing Deputy. The officers for the ensuing quarter are as follows: Stephen B. Cummings, W. P.; Grace L. Woodsum, W. A.; Ernest R. Rowe, R. S.; Alice M. Rounds, A. R. S.; Lottie M. Craig, F. S.; Annie E. Jordan, Treas.; Joseph A. Snow, Chap.; Wm. H. Richburg, Con.; Grace M. Noble, Asst. Con.; Carl D. Jordan, O. S.; Agnes W. Rounds, I. S.; J. H. Huntress, P. W. P. When the Division was organized the 7th of last October 23 members were initiated. Since then 32 more have been received, making 55 at present. At the last meeting it was voted to have a literary contest, beginning next Saturday and continuing through the quarter. G. W. Richburg and May R. Holden are the captains, and an entertainment will be provided each week, the two sides giving them alternately.

BETHEL.

The Colby University Glee, Banjo and Guitar Clubs give a concert at Odeon Hall, Bethel, Friday evening, Jan. 20th. Tickets 25, 35 and 50 cents. The remaining lecture in the Academy Course will occur Feb. 2d, by Rev. J. S. Williamson.

A fresh lot of that nice tea at Benson's.

Col. Edwards has lately received a letter from a rebel officer whom he took as prisoner of war at Rappahannock Station in 1864, a very interesting letter which would be to the honor of the Col. if he would allow it to be published.

Reserved seats at Wiley's after Jan. 16 for the Colby University Glee, Banjo and Guitar Club entertainment.

Effects of our cold winter in Bethel can be imagined by the report of Hastings Bros., that they have kept two men thawing out and repairing water pipes for the last three weeks and some of the time they could not keep up. Many have frozen the second time and some the third. It would be better for patrons to acquire the habit of shutting off the water in their homes, even when it is not freezing weather, changes in our latitude are so sudden.

E. B. Jackson who recently burried his wife, has broken up house keeping and distributed his furniture among his children.

The annual meeting of Bethel Chair Co., was Held at their office Tuesday afternoon. J. U. Purington was elected Sec.; F. H. Young, Asst. Sec.; Elroy C. Park, Treas.; J. H. Barrows, H. G. Brown, J. U. Purrington, C. Bisbee, W. W. Hastings, E. C. Rowe, directors. J. H. Barrows remains president. Net earnings $5,546.60. Gross earnings or sales, $40,000; paid for labor about, $17,000. The concern is in a flourishing condition with a healthy supply of orders.

Wanted, butter, eggs and other country produce in exchange for goods at Benson's.

The editor came up from Portland Monday riding all the way in the smoker. We presume it was on account of his extreme bashfulness, as the passenger had several ladies on board.

The man who said he was robbed by highwaymen in Gilead last week, by their throwing red pepper in his eyes, was interviewed by Detective Wormell this week and the most of the money which he said he lost was found on his person.

OTISFIELD GORE.

Mrs. C. H. Brett is on a visit to Bolster's Mills.

Gardner Green is on the sick list.

C. H. Linnell is going to move his barn up to his house.

We have a Good Templars Lodge here that is doing good work.

Elmer McAllister is on a visit to L. T. Brett, Oxford.

George Clark is boarding at Charles Francis'.

W. W. Andrews has bought a new stove for the school-house.

Mrs. W. H. Yeaton has bought a farm of Mr. Thurston.

On the petition of an appeal from the decision of the joint board of County Commissioners of Cumberland Counties in the Harrison and Waterford road matter the Supreme Court has appointed a committee consisting of Geo. A. Wilson, Paris; Albion P. Gordon, Fryeburg; W. H. Whitcomb, Norway. C. E. Holt for the petitioners and J. W. Warren for the remonstrance.

SOUTH PARIS.

The subject of Rev. R. J. Haughton's sermon at the Cong'l church on Sunday morning next will be, "The Christian for the times, what should he be?"

Alva Shurtleff was in Boston last week on business.

The recent snow is a boon to those who have lumber or wood to haul.

The annual meeting of the Paris Public Library Association was held Saturday evening at the library room. The association was found to be in a good financial condition. During the past year over two hundred dollars' worth of new books have been purchased and since June 7th 2565 books have been taken out, and the class of books taken are of a higher standard and continues to rise as the reading public gets educated, and the members multiply. The following officers were elected:—Isaac Rounds, M. D., president; A. C. T. King, vice president; N. D. Bolster, secretary and treasurer; directors, Horatio Woodbury, M. D., S. P. Maxim, J. F. King and Henry Fletcher. Florence Maxim, the popular and accommodating librarian, will undoubtedly be retained by the directors for the coming year.

Joseph H. Jones is enjoying a sprained ankle received in front of the Exchange Hotel. Wonder if the prohibitory law is as stringently enforced in Lewiston as in our own town?

The Paris Manufacturing Company will hold their annual meeting of stockholders at the counting room Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 2 p. m., for the election of officers.

Thursday, the remains of Mrs. Andrew Bennett, a former resident of this place, were brought here for burial. Mrs. Bennett of late years has resided in Lynn, Mass.

F. C. Briggs, who has been suffering from an attack of pneumonia in Texas, arrived home Tuesday.

Rev. R. J. Haughton exchanged with Rev. Mr. Rideout of the Norway Cong'l church, last Sunday.

W. D. Leavitt of Turner, will install the officers of Paris Grange, Saturday, Jan. 14th. The regular meeting at 10 a. m. Dinner will be served in their hall at a small cost. The meeting in the afternoon will be public and all are invited.

Mrs. Mary F. Abbott, aged 77 years, has drawn 17 large rugs during the past year besides doing her household work.

Verrin Bumpus of Hebron, was in town Thursday.

Wm. K. Kimball Post, No. 148, will have a public installation at their hall on the evening of Saturday, Jan. 28. Following is a list of the officers elect:—O. G. Curtis, P. C.; W. S. Starbird, S. V. C.; Geo. W. Cole, J. V. C.; H. N. Bolster, Adjt.; E. S Spofford, Q. M.; C. S. Richardson, Chap.; Geo. P. Tucker, Surg.; I. J. Monk, O. D.; G. Stuart, O. G.; Wm. J. Wheeler, S. M.; Franklin Maxim, Q. M. S.

A. W. Walker has finished his ice cutting at Rumford Falls and will now turn his attention to keeping our citizens cool for another season.

John C. McArdle Camp, No. 32, S. V., will install their officers Friday evening, Jan. 13th, at G. A. R. Hall. Wm. K. Kimball Post and members of the Woman's Relief Corps are to be invited. Below is a list of the officers:—C. L. Buck, Commander; H. W. Powers, 1st Lieutenant; Eli Swan, 2d Lieutenant; Camp Council, O. G. Pratt, W. C. McArdle, Geo. F. Chesley; delegates to State Encampment, G. F. Chesley, Sherman Ordway. After the installation an oyster supper will be served.

Mr. Stowe of our village, the veteran conductor on the G. T. R., whose present run is between Lewiston and Portland, received the following letter on Saturday before Christmas:

Dear Mr. Stowe:—Your friends in Cumberland and Yarmouth wish you health, happiness and a Merry Christmas.
Dec. 24th, 1892.

Signed by nineteen prominent business men. The above letter was accompanied by a jar of five dollar gold pieces. Mr. Stowe is at present confined to his home with a catarrhal affection of the lungs.

C. A. Clifford and wife have gone to Milton Plantation visiting Mrs. Clifford's parents.

Steam was first let on at Odd Fellows Block, Tuesday. The post-office, Dr. Horatio Woodbury's office, the two stores and Fletcher's barber shop are supplied with radiators. The hall above will be heated by circulation pipes. All parties seem highly pleased with the change, so are the customers.

As the business at our post-office is on the increase, our popular postmaster, Franklin Maxim, to keep abreast of the times, is building over the inside of the present office after the latest and most approved pattern to facilitate the distribution of the mails. It will be built V shape with boxes ranging on both sides of the V, with the general delivery window at the point, writing desk on one side and registered letter and money order desk on the other side. After it is completed it will be one of the best arranged offices in the State outside the cities. The business increased enough during the past year to add one hundred dollars to the postmaster's salary last June.

The town will lose about $265 worth of liquors by the burning of Leonard Whitman's buildings, Tuesday morning.

J. A. Kenney and party have gone to the Kezar Ponds fishing.

The South Paris Lyceum Association elected officers last Friday, Jan. 6, Willie E. Kenney, president; Jennie Tirrell, vice president; Mertie B. Maxim, secretary; credential committee, Alton Wheeler, Harry E. Morton, Ivy Richardson and Mary F. Parsons. Their first lyceum will be held some time next week.

Dwight Wise, who has been at work in his brother's clothing store in Gardiner, for the past two years, has a fine position in the wholesale clothing house of S. A. Isaacson & Co., Boston.

The annual meeting of the South Paris Y's was held Dec. 31, 1892, and the following officers were elected for the next year:—Grace Thayer, president; Sadie Blake, vice president at large; Alice Hicks, Rose Hersey and Madge Stuart, vice presidents; Mabel Hathaway, corresponding secretary and treasurer; Agnes Witham, Supt. of Press Work; Susie Rounds, Supt. of Social Purity; May Kramer, Supt. of Flower Mission.

At a regular meeting of Aurora Encampment, No. 23, I. O. O. F., of South Paris, held Jan. 6th, the following officers were installed: C. P., W. L. Farrar; High Priest, F. E. Kimball; S. W., L. E. Monk; J. W., G. D. Robertson; Scribe, H. E. Marshall; Treas., A. E. Shurtleff; O. G., C. E. Brett; I. G., Mark Leach; Guide, W. L. Bonney; 1st Watch, W. L. Clifford; 2d Watch, Chas. Edwards; 3d Watch, Franklin Maxim; 4th Watch, S. M. King; 1st Guard of Tent, E. H. Farrar; 2d Guard of Tent, F. A. Shurtleff.

Porter District.—Junot Porter, who has been visiting his parental home, has returned to northern Michigan.

James Keough of South Paris, is at work for P. M. Holden.

John A. Porter is attending school at Hebron Academy.

Joseph H. Porter is working for Frank Willis. L.

Whittemore Dist.—Rev. T. Whiteside preached at the school-house last Sunday at 3 p. m.

Dr. M. L. Bonney has taken rent and will open dental rooms at Rumford Falls in the near future.

Mrs. Cora Whittemore has opened dressmaking rooms at her home.

Dora Colby is quite sick with rheumatism of the stomach.

Holmes Austin's house situated in Buckfield on the road from Paris Hill to Buckfield was discovered to be on fire last Sunday, but by the prompt assistance of neighbors the fire was extinguished without great damage. The fire took from the funnel of the furnace. Mrs. Austin is entirely helpless, caused by rheumatism.

Geo. W. Maxim died at his late residence Jan. 5th, from the effects of the grip which he had about a year ago. Mr. Maxim was much respected by all who knew him, being a man of sterling integrity, conscientious and upright in all his business transactions, his word was considered sufficient guarantee. As son and brother his fidelity was well known. The sister who has lived at home and with him shared the care of the father and mother in their last days, especially through the distressing sickness of the mother. The sympathy of all who know her are extended in her sad bereavement.

As the location of the county buildings is still undecided, would it not be well to take into consideration the attractions of Whittemore District. One man offers to give the land for the new buildings to be built upon, as he thinks the rest of his farm would be more valuable, another man thinks he can contribute some lumber. Expense ought to be considered.

Mrs. M. S. Gleason returned to her home in Mass., Jan. 10th, having been here to attend her brother's funeral. She met friends she had not seen for fifty years.

Farm Buildings Burned.

Narrow Escape from Death.—Four Cows and two Valuable Horses Burned.

Tuesday morning as the first gray streaks of approaching dawn were visible in the eastern sky, the inhabitants of South Paris village were awakened by the ringing of bells and blasts of whistles announcing to the drowsy ones that a fire had been discovered, and all turned out to see whether it was his or her own house that was on fire.

The house that was on fire proved to be that of Leonard Whitman who lives just inside the corporation limit. Mrs. Whitman was the first to discover the fire. She was awakened by the plaintive mewing of the cat and of something that fell in the pantry. She got up and opened the pantry door but finding everything apparently all right there went through and opened the kitchen door, and to her horror found the room full of smoke and flames. She gave the alarm and dressed herself as best she could with a skirt and pair of wool boots.

Their little 8 years old grandchild on being awakened ran out of the house in his night clothes, bare footed and bare headed to the nearest neighbor's, although during the night about six inches of snow had fallen, the plucky little fellow didn't seem to mind that. The fact that the little boy could not be found occasioned considerable alarm and delay until informed by Mr. Davis on his arrival that the boy was safe at his own home. Soon the people began to arrive and assisted in removing whatever the flames had left untouched. Before the arrival of assistance Mrs. Whitman had unaided removed some of the furniture in the front room including an organ.

Mr. Davis rescued one cow from the burning barn, but was unable to get more before he was driven back by the flames. Mr. Whitman succeeded in reaching one of the horse stalls but was overcome by the smoke and sank partially unconscious to the floor, but retained sufficient presence of mind to realize that unless he immediately left the barn death was inevitable, and crawling around among the stamping horses succeeded in getting out of the barn alive much to the relief of those outside.

The barn was well filled with hay and grain besides the four cows and two valuable horses, swine, poultry, etc.

All of the farming tools together with the wagons and sleighs were burned. The buildings and furniture were insured in the Grange for one thousand dollars which will not half cover the loss. Mrs. Whitman is suffering from over-exertion and fright and is under the doctor's care.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

It really begins to look like a chair factory in this place. At the last meeting it was decided to go ahead with the enterprise, enough stock having been taken to warrant starting the business. Arrangement will be speedily made to commence operations at an early day. The building known as the Bucket factory will be used for the purpose.

Wm. Haynes, an old citizen of Waterford, died on Monday morning last, after a somewhat protracted illness, superinduced by la grippe, from which he suffered about one year ago, while in Mass. Although in feeble health for some time past, his death seemed sudden from the fact that it was only about two weeks from the time when he took his bed.—Funeral services on Wednesday, at 1:30, p. m.

George Shedd is very ill at this time, and does not improve, as his friends had hoped that he might. There are very strong indications of partial paralysis.

E. J. Jordan, formerly of this village, but for a number of years residing at North Waterford, was buried on Sunday last, in their lot in Elm Vale Cemetery, having died on Friday last, from injuries received by being thrown from a carriage a few weeks since.

The promanade and supper, gotten up by "the girls" in aid of the Universalist society, was very successful and a snug sum was realized.

KEZAR FALLS.

Mrs. Lydia Fox is in very poor health.

Last Friday, Stephen Fox had a severe ill turn, which was feared might be the precursor of a shock. At present he is considered out of danger.

One day last week William Libby left his home, which is situated in Porter about four miles from here, with a load of hay that he was to deliver to parties in the village. Mr. Libby is between sixty and seventy years of age and the day was intensely cold. After entering the village, the horse stopped of its own accord in front of a store. Mr. Libby, though sitting erect on his load, was found to be suffering from paralysis and for several days his life was despaired of but he is now much better.

CASCO.

W. F. Burgess and son and Ed. Brackett are cutting and hauling pine timber for Geo. Nutting.

Marilla Curtis who has been at home for a week's vacation has returned to Fryeburg Academy.

Joseph Batty was quite severely injured by falling on the ice one evening while skating. Mr. B. is about 54 years old and was formerly the finest skater to be found.

Hon. W. M. Cook left town last week for Augusta. He is the oldest member of the State Senate.

Chas. Barton is not as well as he has been for some months on account of taking cold.

What might have been a serious accident took place in E. A. Barton's dooryard one afternoon recently. As Wm. Perris, wife and son were about starting for home, the horse backed throwing Mrs. P. and son out, the wagon upsetting completely over them, but luckily no one was hurt and they were soon on their way rejoicing.

Mrs. Louisa Edwards is very sick with heart trouble.

PARIS HILL.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pierce have gone to Boston, Mass., for a few days.

Mrs. Orlando Thayer is visiting friends in Portland.

Rev. Mr. Bickford of Norway, occupied the Baptist pulpit last Sunday. Mr. Wedge was detained in Connecticut on account of sickness in his family.

There will be a Universalist circle at the hall Friday evening. Picnic supper at 6 o'clock. All are invited.

Sullivan Bridgham, one of the oldest citizens in town, died Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wedge arrived home Tuesday.

Thomas Crocker is in very poor health.

EAST RUMFORD.

Solon Putman and Elmer Howe of Hanover were in town Friday.

The widow of the late Thomas Farrar was buried here Wednesday.

Levi Lamb the old clock fixer of Dixfield was in town Saturday.

Evi Robinson is very sick. His friends sent to Lewiston Monday for a doctor to treat him.

C. F. Wheeler is putting in his ice.

G. E. Blanchard has built a new ice house.

Judge Wilson

Has Something of Importance to say Concerning the Vaults and the Protection of the Probate Records.

Editor Advertiser.—Will you kindly grant me space in your columns for the following communication. As the reference to me which called forth this article was in the Democrat, I sent this first to the Democrat, but as I did not send it until Saturday afternoon last I found the paper filled and that it would be impossible to get it into this week's issue without delaying the publication of the paper. If you will give it a place it will greatly oblige me.

Geo. A. Wilson.

South Paris, Jan. 11, 1893.

Editor Democrat:—Your last issue contained a communication on the question of our county buildings from Hon. Geo. F. Emery of Portland. Mr. Emery is a native of Paris, an able man, and his writings are always interesting. All his recollections, however, cluster around his birthplace on Paris Hill, and it is not strange that he should look with displeasure upon any attempt to secure the erection of new buildings elsewhere.

In his article he alludes to my attitude on this question as affected by the position which I hold as Judge of Probate of this county. It is, I think, unnecessary for me to state that I am not acting or attempting to act in any official charter in this matter. I have my views as what would be best and advisable for the county to do, and I do not hesitate to express them, but so far they have been my personal and not my official views.

However, as I was alluded to as Judge of Probate, I desire, laying aside for the time being any question of the removal of the buildings, to say a few words to the citizens of Oxford County as to the condition of its Probate Office and Probate records. In most of the discussion on the erection of new buildings, reference has been had almost entirely to the safety of the records in the office of the Registry of Deeds. Granting all that has been said on this point, I believe that it applies wsth more force to the records in the Probate Office. It is often stated as a matter of judgment, that on an average all the property in the county passes through the Probate Office once in thirty years. If this is correct, when we consider that the taxable valuation of property in this county is nearly $11,000,000, we are impressed with the importance of preserving such records and rendering them as absolutely safe from destruction as can be done by human ingenuity.

Every person interested in any estate, either as heir or creditor, every widow whose meager pittance for future support is dependent upon the correct settlement of accounts, every orphan whose money is in the hands of a guardian, has an immediate and direct interest in the safety of these records: for while most persons retain their deeds after they have been recorded, all the papers connected with the Probate Office are on file in the office, so that in the event of their destruction there could be no possibly of restoring them. How many of the persons interested in estates, trust estates, provisions for widows, estates of persons under guardianship, estates of minors, etc., can give the names of the sureties on the bonds of those in charge of such estates, or can give the exact amount for which such persons should be charged. I venture to say not one in twenty-five.

Now I have never been of the opinion that our vaults for storing the records are fire-proof, and I am sorry to say that the opinion of some of the ablest architects in the State confirms me in this position. I have not kept this opinion to myself during the past few years, but have often claimed to the proper authorities that something should be done to increase the safety of the records. The accommodations for holding the court are a matter for discussion, and I will say nothing about them, but this question of the safety of the records is not a matter for discussion, but a matter for action.

I say to the people of Oxford County, with a due appreciation, I hope, of my responsibilities, that this matter must not be allowed to rest now, whatever may be your decision as to locality, ample and suitable provision must be made for the safety of the records in the Probate Office. I have my own personal views as to what sound common sense would dictate that provision should be, and on proper occasions do not hesitate to express them, but for this occasion I confine myself simply to the question of safety. As Judge of Probate I have no preference whether the solution of that question takes the form of a new building at South Paris, or a new building at Paris Hill. Ordinary care demands one or the other.

Geo. A. Wilson.

NORTH WEST NORWAY.

Herbert Holt accompanied by Mr. Stratton from Worcester, Mass., went deer hunting one day in Albany and another in East Waterford during the holidays, but did not succeed in killing any.

May Holt, after spending Christmas and New Year's at home, returned to Everett, Mass., Jan. 3, and her brother went with her to visit her school and other friends in that place and at Worcester.

A skating party consisting of Harlon Brown with his son and daughter, Walter Newcomb, Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown, Orin Brown and three children, went down to Hobbs' Pond Jan. 7, where they had a merry time skating.

EAST BUCKFIELD.

The Dunn brothers have bought them another horse to mate the one that died. They have the heaviest pair of work horses in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Record and baby spent Jan. 1st at Oxford visiting relatives.

Wm. F. Robinson is again confined to the house.

Mrs. E. E. Mayhew from North Buckfield visited last week a few days at Solon Tuttle's.

Benjamin Record is stopping this winter with his sister, Mrs. Solon C. Tuttle.

Silas Shaw slowly improves in health.

Mrs. Evelyn Irish has had a severe cold.

Mrs. Jane Cole is slowly improving in health.

Daniel Tuttle is buying eggs.

Twitchell and Wood have finished cutting their job of cord wood for J. B. Mason.

Flora M. Record is stopping this winter at Mr. Robinson's.

LOVELL.

W. O. Brown and wife have returned from their visit to Boston.

Benj. Russell, Jr, has been home from Boston on a short visit. He returned there Monday.

The Cong. Circle was entertained on Wednesday by Mrs. J. H. Stearns at Fairview.

The officers of Cresent lodge, No. 25, I. O. O. F. at North Lovell were installed on Friday evening by district deputy W. O. Brown with Past Guards Kimball, Russell, Stearns and Chapman of Keazer Falls lodge. The Noble Grand installed was the solderly looking W. W. Durgin weighing an even two hundred pounds his right supporter was N. H. Palmer 261 pounds, left supporter was Leonard Gammon 240 pounds, in front of these sat the Conductor S. P. Palmer pulling down just 250 pounds. Cresent lodge must be safe all attacks while these officers are on duty.

Dancing school is to be Wednesday night on account of the drama Friday night.

Moses Bemis, who has been on the sick list, is said to be gaining.

Henry Severance and Frank Watson are cutting and hauling white birch to Lovell village.

The week of prayer has been observed at the Cong'l church in Tamworth, N. H., every night since Jan. 1st, and will continue for an indefinite length of time. Many have decided for Christ and more are to follow. The meetings are conducted by the pastor, Rev. G. Rice, formerly of Maine.

Fine winter weather and excellent sledding, with only two or three inches of snow and ice.

WEST PARIS.

Belle Boyd, the famous rebel spy of Stonewall Jackson fame, will lecture in Centennial Hall this Friday evening, Jan. 13th. Admission 25 cents. She gives an interesting recital of the part she took in the war and the many perils of a spy. Don't fail to attend as you will surely regret it if you do.

Quite a fall of snow Monday night and Tuesday forenoon which will make many glad faces in this section as well as elsewhere.

Our lodge of the United Order Golden Cross were invited down to South Paris Monday evening to make that lodge a visit. The train which should leave at 4 o'clock being late they left here about 5:15, p. m., and returned Tuesday morning about one o'clock. They reported a nice time and were well pleased with their visit.

Hannibal Curtis went to Paris Hill Monday morning to put in some windows in the jail.

A. E. Day and wife returned to Boston Friday.

W. S. Parker of Bethel was in town over Sunday.

We see that Herbert E. Andrews has up a very pretty sign.

Mrs. A. R. Bucknam, our druggist, has so far recovered from her sickness as to attend to business again in the store.

J. H. Lane has received another car of flour.

W. F. Emmons is night watchman in the W. P. Co. building.

L. M. Mann has got nearly ready to commence operations in his mill.

E. M. Emery has returned to Norway to work for C. B. Cummings & Sons.

Merl Emery of this place is working at South Paris.

Business is in the gain now we have some snow.

The prices quoted in C. H. Lane's ad. this week will be of interest to you. Look them over and call at his store. Don't go out of town to trade.

NORTH BRIDGTON.

Kate Foster is at home from the Center where she has been at work a few weeks.

Congratulations are being offered to Bryant Libby on the advent of a little son in his family.

Mrs. S. E. Glines has been very sick for a number of days but is more comfortable at present.

Mrs. John Wells entertained the Ladies' Social Circle, Wednesday Jan. 11th.

Rev. Mr. Curtis of Harrison exchanged with Rev. A. G. Fitz last Sabbath.

Marriette Griffin who has been at her old home here for some months, returned to Cambridge, Mass., last week.

Norman Proctor started the 3rd for the west. He will go to California thence to Oregon.

J. C. Mead visited his brother and sister in Portland recently.

The 17th annual meeting of the North Bridgton Library Association was held at John Mead's Jan. 3rd. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, Pres, John Mead; Vice Pres, J. C. Mead; Sec, A. H. Stone; Treas, Mrs. Frank Hill; executive committee, Annie P. Blake, Mrs. John Mead, Kate E. Cushman.

WEST SUMNER.

John Murch, wife and son were at F. R. Barrett's the first of the week.

Ella C. Abbott and Lila Andrews have returned from Nashua, N. H.

Fred Keene, wife and baby from Dixfield, were at his mother's, Mrs. C. W. Fields', over Sunday.

Dr. Bisbee and G. W. Heath have put in their ice.

Mrs. Emeline Chandler has a bad cold. Her son Harold has been quite poorly for several days. He is closely confined to his business for one so young.

Wilson Ryerson, Harland Bisbee, Wilber Field, Arthur Pulsifer and Clara Bates have gone to Hebron to attend school. The latter closed her school in the village district Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. Lemuel Tuell is sick so to require the services of a doctor.

We had quite a snow storm last Monday night which we and we presume every one was glad to see as last week was a very icy, slippery time.

It is said by several that G. W. Heath has the best matched pair of steers in our immediate vicinity.

EAST STONEHAM.

There was a very pleasant social meeting of relatives and friends on Christmas day at the residence of Eligah B. Russell. The company being as follows, Mr. and Mrs. John Littlefield and son, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Littlefield and daughter, Clinton Littlefield and Lady from Bryant's Pond, Mrs. H. M. Parker and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Speers of this town. N. M. Russell and wife reside with their father and assisted in the entertainment. The occasion will be long remembered as it has been a long time since the family have met under the parternal roof, but on that day children grand-children and one great-grand-child were present to gladden the hearts of their kindred.

There was also another family reunion on Christmas day at D. D. Merrill's consisting of Mrs. M's. sister Mrs. Nancy Butters, and brother Enoch, Orrin Bartlett, being the four surviving children of Jonathan and Annie (Barker) Bartlett, now deceased. Would that such family reunions could oftener happen.

Leonard Milliken of this town was quite severely hurt Monday forenoon by being struck in the face with the limb of a tree which fell. His lip was cut, nose injured and teeth knocked out. The extent of the injury I have not learned but a physician was summoned to dress his wounds. Mr. M. was at work in the woods some distance from home when the accident occurred, but fortunately was not alone.

Mr. Harvey and wife from Stratford, N. H., are in town visiting her mother, Mrs. L. J. Heffrin.

About six inches of snow has fallen here. The weather has been so cold that many cellars have frozen in town. Almost every one has been having a bad cold, those who have not are so afraid of catching one that they take no comfort.

Leppien Post G. A. R. expect to hold a Camp Fire the evening of the 12th, the Stoneham Brass Band is expected to be present.

Judge Virgin has been a very sick man but he was a little better Thursday morning.

BIRTHS.

In Norway, Dec. 11, to the wife of George M. Stevens, a daughter.
In Gilead, Jan. 8, to the wife of Edson Lary, a daughter.
In Rumford, Jan. 2, to the wife of A. B. Hoyt, a son.
In Rumford, Jan. 6, to the wife of J. E. Stephens, a daughter.
In Dixfield, Dec. 29, to the wife of Dr. J. S. Sturtevant, a daugter.
In Norway, Jan. 8, to the wife of William Quirley, a daughter.
In South Waterford, Jan. 2, to the wife of R. F. Milliken, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

In Norway, Dec. 14, by Rev. B. S. Rideout Maurice Bowker of Otisfield, and Alberta R. Whittier of Norway.

DEATHS.

In Norway, Dec. 15, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Stevens, aged 4 days.
In Portland, Jan. 5, Dexter Daniels, formerly of Paris, aged 83 years, 7 months and 11 days.
In West Paris, Jan. 2, Loura Blanche Tuell daughter of Elmer E. and Mattie D. Tuell, aged 6 months and 12 days.
In Gilead, Jan. 4, Cyrus Gammon, aged 73 years.
In Paris, Jan. 5, George W. Maxim, aged 62 years, 10 months and 20 days.
In Paris, Jan. 5, Sullivan Bridgham, aged 87 years.
In Dixfield, Jan. 8, Iola Drown, daughter of Wm. F. and Medora Drawn aged 2½ years.
In South Waterford, Jan. 9, William Haynes.
In North Waterford, Jan. 6, E. J. Jordan.

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WILSON'S MILLS.

Mrs. Lucy Bennett and Harold Flint are improving.

R. A. Storey has been to Berlin after a load of supplies.

N. K. Bennett had his old horses killed recently, and now has enough left to carry him to the poor house.

Bearce & Wilson were in town Saturday.

Simon Stahl is in town with his usual assortment of watches and jewelry.

Mr. Mason was down from Camp Caribou to stay over Sunday. Mrs. Mason is still improving in health.

Weather very cold, no snow, mercury at 22 degrees below zero several mornings the past week.

The Train Did Not Wait.

When the Peoria and Eastern train pulled in last night at 7 o'clock, a man, woman and child hurriedly alighted and ran along the platform.

"Has the train for Cincinnati on the C., H. and D. gone?" puffed the man.

"Yes, sir. It left at 6:20," answered a depot official.

"What? Gone?"

"Yes, sir."

"That's strange."

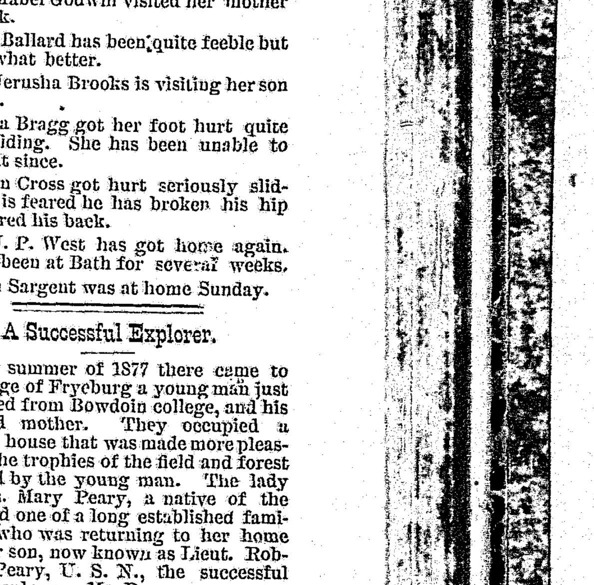
"Not very. That's the time for it to depart."

"But I telegraphed to the conductor to hold the train for me."

"Oh, well, perhaps you forgot to sign your own name?"

The sarcasm was lost on the irate passenger as he went through the gates.—Indianapolis News.

True Professional Courtesy.



"Doctor, my little boy is in a very critical state, and I am satisfied that Dr. Probe, who is now attending him, doesn't understand the case. I wish you would come right over and see the boy."

"I don't see how I can do it. Probe and I were old friends, and in these matters of professional courtesy we have to be mighty careful."

"But great heavens, man, if you don't come the boy may die!"

"That's just the point. Suppose I should save the boy. Why, Probe would never forgive me."—Life.

Human Nature.

The following anecdote comes to us from the navy yard at Mare Island, Cal. It is human nature for people in a crisis to imagine themselves as playing the most important role. This is well illustrated by an anecdote told by a naval officer of his first experience under fire during the civil war. He was a midshipman at the time, just out of the academy, and his vessel was engaged in destroying a blockade runner aground near the entrance of Mobile bay. Suddenly the harassed enemy woke into animation and returned the fire. A shot from a rifle gun on the beach came hissing through the air, passed over the Union vessel and buried itself in the water just beyond.

"I was stationed on the forecastle," said the narrator, "and I give you my word I thought that shot was coming straight for my head, or at any rate was going to graze it. My first impulse (an uncontrollable one) was to dodge, which I promptly did: my next was to feel ashamed of myself and to glance around to ascertain whether any one had observed my discomfiture. A consoling sight met my eyes. The captain and first lieutenant, aft on the poop deck, were just straightening into a more completely upright position, and I overheard the captain remark to his companion in a tone expressive of some relief: 'By George! that was an awfully close shave, you know. The confounded thing must have passed just over our heads.' While I was trying to reconcile this statement with my own sensations I heard an Irishman who occupied a position between the two points exclaim, in reference to the same missile, 'Begorry, b'yes, I cud have caught it in me hat!'"—Argonaut.

Nip and Tuck.

Strawber—Do you expect to be married in a dress suit?

Singerly—If I can get home from the office first. My roommate is going to be married the same night.—New York Herald.

A Great Deal.

Rob—Is there anything your father doesn't know?

Sam—Yes; he doesn't know where I hid his slippers last night.—Harper's Young People.

Fair Exchange.

She—I am going to wear suspenders this summer.

He—I am going to take mine off. Lend me your belt.—Philadelphia Record.

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GREENWOOD.

Richardson Bros. are cutting and hauling ice for the West Paris Butter Factory.

Alden Doughty is attending school at Hebron Academy.

Ella Doughty is at work for C. E. Ryerson in Yagger.

About 30 attended the spelling school Jan. 5th in District No. 5.

The farmers in Richardson Hollow are putting in their year's supply of ice.

Angie Penley is stopping at home a few days.

Omer Brown from Freeport recently passed through here selling fresh fish.

Mrs. Mary Cushman from Lewiston is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Richardson.

Mrs. Stephen Needham is at work in Gorham, N. H. Clementine.

UPTON.

A Christmas tree was well loaded with pretty and useful presents at Will Sargent's New Years eve.

A social dance at C. E. Ryerson's Saturday evening. The "getter up" of the dance failed to put in an appearance, or send the music along; but we had a good time just the same, thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Ryerson and James Bernier.

Ellsworth Lombard's family have moved back home.

Asa Frost has taken his crew on B Meadow, where they are pressing hay.

Vesta Demerritt of Errol, N. H., is boarding at Charles Chase's, attending school.

Mrs. Alma Coolidge had a quilting Saturday.

Mrs. Mabel Godwin visited her mother last week.

J. W. Ballard has been quite feeble but is somewhat better.

Mrs. Jerusha Brooks is visiting her son Aldance.

Linetta Bragg got her foot hurt quite badly sliding. She has been unable to step on it since.

Weston Cross got hurt seriously sliding. It is feared he has broken his hip and injured his back.

Mrs. J. P. West has got home again. She has been at Bath for several weeks.

Enoch Sargent was at home Sunday.

A Successful Explorer.

In the summer of 1877 there came to the village of Fryeburg a young man just graduated from Bowdoin college, and his widowed mother. They occupied a pleasant house that was made more pleasant by the trophies of the field and forest gathered by the young man. The lady was Mrs. Mary Peary, a native of the town and one of a long established family, and who was returning to her home with her son, now known as Lieut. Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., the successful Arctic explorer. Mr. Peary was an unassuming young man, and became but slowly acquainted with the society of the village; meanwhile he kept busy in mounting the specimens of the birds of the locality that he obtained—being a skillful taxidermist—and enjoying the scientific research afforded him by the natural surroundings of the place. As the people of the village came to know Mr. Peary they found him a pleasant companion and a man of fertile brain. He was a skillful surveyor and a careful draughtsman, and found employment in surveying lands in and around the village.

In one of the vacant lots on the Fryeburg village street are set two stones, which attract much attention from strangers as they pass, and they are told that Mr. Peary placed them in establishing the meridian line, in doing which he spent many winter evenings watching the North Star through the telescope. Mr. Peary's residence at Fryeburg terminated with his appointment to a position in the office of the United States Coast Survey at Washington, D. C., a position obtained from samples of his drawing capabilities admitted in a competitive examination. This place proved the threshold to his present position, which he received as the reward of his superiority over a number of competitors. Mr. Peary is to-day an example of a young man who adapted himself to circumstances, made himself of value in small details, and was ready to take advantage of his opportunities.—*Journal.*

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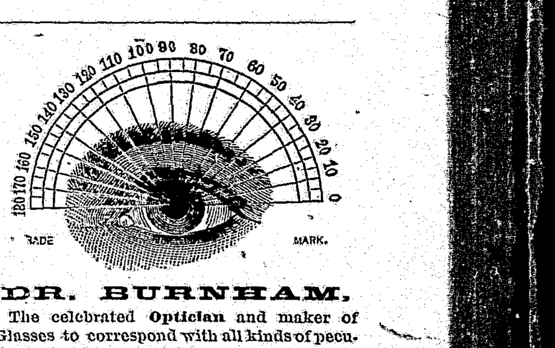

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HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW.

"Oh, Wilford, you won't regar.. me with aversion? You won't say things about mothers-in-law, will you?" little Mrs. Pendexter coaxed. "Because she isn't in the least like the kind of mother-in-law they mean, you know."

"I hope not," said Mr. Pendexter. "I sincerely hope not, Camilla."

"You never called me by my whole name before," sighed Mrs. Pendexter. "You always said 'My dear Cammy.'"

"Very well, my dear Cammy," said Wilford. "I shall certainly behave to your mother as I would to any other lady. If she is what she ought to be, all right. But I always have resolved to be master in my own house, and I always will be."

"My dear ma is a perfect lamb," sobbed Camilla. "I have her photograph up stairs. I'll get it to show you."

"I've seen it," said Mr. Pendexter, with the remembrance of a grim and ancient matron in spectacles, with a ruffled cap on her head and a prayer book in her hand, floating before his eyes. "She looks like a very excellent person, but"——

"I did not know that you had ever seen ma's portrait," said Camilla. "But what, Henny Penny?"

Henny Penny was a pet name for her spouse.

"But the proof of the pudding is the eating, Cammy, dear," her spouse replied. Whereupon he put on his overcoat and betook himself to his usual affairs.

It was a singular thing never to have seen one's mother-in-law. Mr. Pendexter began to feel that it was rather risky. He had met Miss Spruce at the house of a mutual friend. She was teaching a school at the time. Her only living parent, her mother, lived in California. He had rather rejoiced in the fact, and now she had broken up housekeeping and was coming to New York to live, with them no doubt, if she was invited to do so.

"If she is as serious as she looks, she'll expect me to teach Bible class," soliloquized Mr. Pendexter as he walked down the street. "She'll try to stop my cigars and my glass of beer of an evening. She'll consider my friends wicked young men, and throw the eucher deck into the fire. I know those goody-goody old ladies by heart."

Suddenly, as he turned the corner, a face met his eye that brought memories of long departed days, of a flirtation which might have resulted in an affair of the heart. Mr. Pendexter was not as young as his wife. He had had his little experiences.

What a portly woman that was—could it be the same person?

He slightly lifted his hat; the lady smiled; he bowed.

"After all the world is a small place," said he to himself, and walked toward her.

"Well, I declare I never expected to see you again," said the lady with a laugh.

"And I thought you still in San Francisco," said Mr. Pendexter. "What nice talks we used to have, Mrs. Miller."

"Why, it's ten years ago, isn't it?" cried Mrs. Miller.

"Cou..n't believe it. You look as young as ever," said Mr. Pendexter.

"Oh, when it comes to being told that one loo· · as young : ever all hope is over," s. d Mrs. Miller.

"Well, I intended a compliment," said Mr. Pendexter. "I'm getting bald," and he took off his hat.

"It only makes you look more like Shakespeare," said Mrs. Miller.

"She always says such nice things," said Mr. Pendexter to himself.

The idea that he looked like Shakespeare had occurred to him before, but no one else had ever told him that he did. He felt flattered. A little pang of regret pinched his heart. He had often felt that he had made a great mistake in losing sight of Mrs. Miller, to whom he had never been regularly introduced. They had begun to speak in the street cars during a blockade which provoked them both. They had always spoken after that. He judged that she was about his own age, and knew she was a widow. There was a charm about her that he had never seen in any other woman.

"And I think she told me she was alone in the world," he said to himself. "And I should not have been expecting my mother-in-law to make my life wretched"— His thoughts were running away with him; he laughed.

"Are you living in New York, Mrs. Miller?"

"Oh, yes," she answered; "I'm going to some friends after awhile, but I am at —— hotel just now. I don't believe in popping in on people tornado fashion. If they want me let them urge me, say I."

"I wish my mother-in-law had that disposition," said Pendexter to himself. Aloud he said, "I must call on you."

The lady laughed.

"I haven't asked you," said she.

"But you'll let me in if I do come?" said he. "It's my duty to call on a stranger."

"All she said was, "Well, goodby."

During the day Pendexter was not quite himself. He had discovered that his Camilla could pout. He feared the unpleasant things that he had been told came to a man with a mother-in-law. No doubt he should find her, grim and sarcastic, in the parlor on his return. He did not like that photograph. No, he did not like it. He thought he preferred being a little late that night. And as he went up town the bright entrance of the little hotel met his eye and he stepped out on the platform and stepped off on the corner.

Mrs. Miller was in, so the waiter told him, and she tripped into the parlor in a dress of mauve silk that became her mightily. Her hair was black, her eyes were brown. She was no longer young, but she was by no means old. She was in very high spirits, and they flirted—yes, flirted, despite the fact that Pendexter was a married man—as they had ten years ago in California. They had supper together in the restaurant, and after supper an idea occurred to Pendexter.

"You want to see the new comic opera, Mrs. Miller?" said he. "Don't say no. Get your wraps and come along. We're a couple of old Californians, and must not set up for ceremonies. You don't need a chaperon now, do you?"

"I should say not, decidedly," said Mrs. Miller. "And I'll accept your invitation."

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"A man about to be mother-in-lawed is entitled to a little fun beforehand. They feed condemned men well before they hang them," said Pendexter to himself.

It was a very charming opera, no other than "Erminie." And after the opera there was a promenade concert on the roof of the Casino, a glass of lemonade for Mrs. Miller, a bottle of beer for himself. And they walked arm in arm back through the moonlit streets of beautiful, wide awake New York. And he was very serious as he left her at the door of the hotel.

"It won't do to go there again," he said. "But, Lord, what a fool I made of myself ten years ago!"

He went home sadly and slowly. His Camilla opened the door for him in her dressing gown, with a China candlestick in her hand, in which fluttered an end of pink candle. She had been weeping and her nose was red. How girlish and immature she was, he thought.

"You are very, very late," she said.

"Didn't I say I would be?" he asked. He stalked up stairs. She did not follow. After some minutes he looked over the banister. Camilla sat upon the lower stair weeping, the wick of the candle flaring in a little pool of grease in the candlestick.

"What's the matter?" he asked.

"You never kissed me when you came in," sobbed Camilla. "It's the—the—the first time you ever forgot to do it."

"Come up and be kissed," said Pendexter. Camilla slowly climbed the stairs. Caresses were exchanged.

"Her Henny Penny did not mean not to kiss his Cammy," thus Camilla.

"Cammy doesn't know what business bothers are," said Mr. Pendexter. "Henny Penny is tired and worried with them; his Cammy must not be cross."

"No, no; but Cammy wants to share all Henny Penny's troubles," said Mrs. Pendexter. "Tell her all about it."

Just then the street doorbell rang violently—not once, but sixteen times.

"Oh, dear, dear; I believe it's dear ma!" cried Camilla.

Pendexter glanced at the picture over the chimney piece.

"Just like her," he muttered as he went down stairs to open the door. A telegraph boy was just about to ring again. Pendexter snatched the envelope he offered and signed as bidden, then rushed up stairs to peruse the missive. His Cammy was rushing about the room wringing her hands.

"A telegram!" she cried. "Something has happened to ma!"

Mr. Pendexter assumed a serious aspect.

"Be calm, Cammy," he said. "If it is the will of Providence that something has happened to her you mustn't rebel and all that, you know. Be calm."

"I can't until I know what it is!"

Mr. Pendexter opened the envelope and read the message he had sent to his wife from the hotel.

"Bother!" he said. "Oh, it's nothing, Cammy; only a message I sent you when I knew I should be detained. That wretched boy should have brought it at 7 o'clock."

"Oh, Henny Penny," cried Cammy, "how relieved I am!" Then she suddenly threw herself into his arms. "Cammy did not know her Henny Penny had sent her word," she said.

"Oh, that's why you were frightened?" said Henny Penny.

"Yes," sighed Cammy, "oh, so frightened! And that man you had to see gave you all the bother?"

"Yes, of course," said Pendexter; "yes, certainly."

"What was his naughty name?" asked Cammy.

"His name?" queried the guilty Pendexter. Oh, his name was—er—Miller."

"Cammy hates him for bothering her Henny Penny," said Mrs. Pendexter. Then she turned the gas out and slept the sleep of innocence.

Mr. Pendexter's conscience, however, kept him awake some little while. He tossed about uneasily and sighed several times. He was thinking of the charming Mrs. Miller. ...ept late next day. When he awoke a sound as of tinkling teacups met his ears. The house was small and the dining room was just below his sleeping room. Camilla was taking breakfast. Some one was with her.

"Oh, my prophetic soul, my mother-in-law!" he gasped. Getting softly out of bed, he approached the register and listened.

"Do have another biscuit, ma," he heard Camilla say.

"No, really, dear," responded another female voice. "That husband of yours sleeps this morning."

"He was out quite late last night," said Cammy, "and awfully bothered."

"What about?" asked the mother-in-law.

"Oh, business," said Cammy. "Nothing but business could keep him from me. Some dreadful man named Miller bothered him—I don't know how. He wasn't like himself when he got home; oh, not a bit! And the telegram he sent came after that, and I was terrified."

"You are too nervous, my child," said the mother-in-law. "Oh, dear me, to think of your being married, and I've so much to tell you. Last night I had the greatest fun. You know I used to see a great many people when I had a share in that business in San Francisco, and there was one very nice little man—bald, but not so bad looking—that I flirted with dreadfully. Well, yesterday, as I was on my way up to the hotel—I walked because I was so tired of sitting—whom should I meet but that very man! Why, I hadn't seen him for ten years, and he was just delighted; he is really smitten, Cammy. You know I look fifteen years younger than I really am when I am dressed and touched up a bit, and actually he called on me at the hotel and took me to the opera—it was fun."

"Oh, ma!" cried Cammy.

"Oh, I knew the man to be respectable," said the elderly lady. "But I'd forgotten his name—couldn't think of it and can't yet. He dealt with the firm for a long while—I saw him twice a week, but what his name was— Well, no matter. After I got home I laughed and laughed. When I do get into a gale I can't stop. We went home slowly, like a couple of lovers, and he really said the tenderest things—"

"Why, ma," said Camilla again.

"If you should cut up such a dreadful caper I'd disown you," said Camilla's mother. "But what's the use of being six-and-forty if you can't enjoy yourself as you please? Besides, he'll never see me again, you know. Oh, I could have married twenty times, Camilla, but I never—I own it—I never came so near really liking any one since your poor stepfather, Mr. Miller, died, as I did that man long ago in San Francisco. I suppose he is much younger than I, but I should have said 'yes' if he had asked me then."

"And now, ma?" cooed Camilla.

"Stuff and nonsense, child," replied her mother. "Now I'm looking forward to being a grandmother."

"Oh, go away, ma!" said Mrs. Pendexter, and both ladies giggled.

As for Pendexter, he dressed himself in trembling haste and stole softly down stairs. A portiere gave him a chance to remain unseen while he took a peep. He had not doubted before—his ears had given him plenty of evidence—but now his eyes gave him further proof. The California charmer—the lady for whose sake he had deserted his Camilla the evening before—was his mother-in-law.

For a few moments Mr. Pendexter had a mind to run away, but reflection assured him that Mrs. Miller had quite as much reason to feel embarrassed as he had; and with this consoling reflection in his mind he drew back the portiere and entered the breakfast room.

"My dear mother-in-law," he said. "I am delighted to see you."

"It was so lovely of you, Henny Penny," said Camilla afterward.

The Speed of a Bullet.

How fast does a bullet travel? Did you ever figure on this query and try to reduce the matter to figures? Colonel Flaglers and others who have made interesting experiments looking to a solution of this question say that as a rule it travels at the rate of 1,275 feet per second at the time of leaving the rifle. This matter of speed is tested in a very interesting way.

A long wooden shed is used in which a distance of exactly 100 feet has been carefully marked off. At each end of this space is a stand something like a target, with a large circular opening where the bullseye should be. Across each opening is stretched a small electric wire connected with a delicate instrument in another room. The rifle from which the firing is done is so aimed that the bullet which flies from it cuts both wires. Obviously the difference in time between the cutting of the two wires marks the speed of the bullet through that 100 feet. The measurement of this infinitesimal space of time is done by an instrument called a Boulinge chronograph.

When the first wire is cut an electric current is broken and a rod falls, moving a pointer on a slide in its descent. The breaking of the second wire acts in the same manner on another set of rods, slides and pointers. The difference in the marks made by the pointers on the slides makes it possible to estimate the difference in their time of falling, and from these calculations accurate figures as to the bullet's speed are obtained.

Suggestions for the Poultry Yard.

The season is here when in poultry yards, where birds are kept in damp and ill ventilated houses, the foundation for roup—that most fatal of all poultry diseases—is laid. An ordinary cold neglected very soon develops into roup; hence first symptoms must be taken in hand at once. The first sign is sneezing and running at the nose. As soon as this is observed the affected bird ought to be isolated at once, placed in a warm spot where there are no drafts and the usual remedies and preventives administered. Bear in mind that cold weather is less dangerous than damp. It is a good plan now to give iron tonic in water all round, especially to the late chickens. Diarrhea is another disease caused by cold and wet weather; in chickens it is often due to improper diet. Bone dust is an excellent preventive, and growing chickens should always have it. If symptoms appear, try feeding with boiled rice, mixed with a little powdered chalk. If the case is bad, try rice boiled in milk. As soon as a fowl is ailing, isolate it until you are certain whether the sickness is contagious. Many diseases are contagious, and whatever the attack may be, the sick bird will recover soonest if alone.

Silage versus Air Dried Fodder.

Director Sanborn, in a bulletin issued from the Utah station, expresses, as he did in his bulletins while at the Missouri station, a decided preference for dry fodder over ensilage. To the farmers of Utah he says with confidence that more loss in harvesting and storing food by the silo system will be involved up to the feeding point than by the air-drying system, and this is undoubtedly true of most of the vast area lying west of the one hundredth meridian. He furthermore thinks it a question whether capping shocks of corn fodder until well dried and then packing them close in a tight barn will not conserve the fodder better than the silo in most other sections of the country.

After describing the silo at the Utah station, Professor Sanborn says: "The silo will hold eighty tons of fodder, and with lumber at $18 to $20 per 1,000 feet would cost from $2 to $2.25 per ton. This is for green food, four-fifths of which is water. It requires 4½ tons of green food to make one of air dried food, and therefore the silo would cost $9 to $10 per ton of dry food held."

Some Convenient Forms of Knots.

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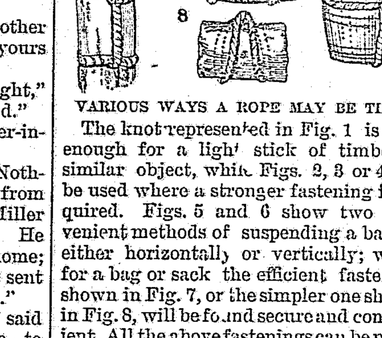

VARIOUS WAYS A ROPE MAY BE TIED.

The knot represented in Fig. 1 is firm enough for a light stick of timber or similar object, while Figs. 2, 3 or 4 can be used where a stronger fastening is required. Figs. 5 and 6 show two convenient methods of suspending a barrel, either horizontally or vertically; while for a bag or sack the efficient fastening shown in Fig. 7, or the simpler one shown in Fig. 8, will be found secure and convenient. All the above fastenings can be made from a single piece of rope, and their construction will be evident from an inspection of the engravings.

Farm Hints.

To give delicacy of flesh to chickens make their principal food for a week or ten days before killing barley meal moistened with milk. Alternate with Indian meal; scald with either water or milk. During the process keep the chicks confined in a darkened room, is advice given in The Poultry Yard.

The Philadelphia Farm Journal tells that a good thing for a cheap paint and one that is durable is to mix yellow ocher with coal tar. The color is green, and it does well for coarse woodwork or iron.

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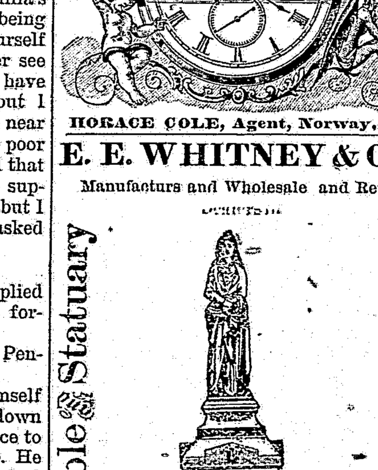

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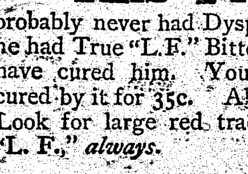

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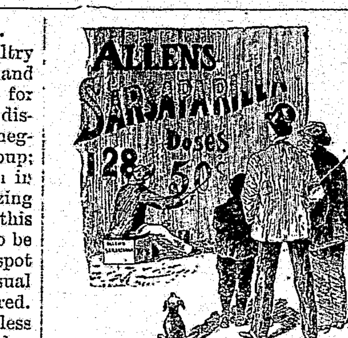

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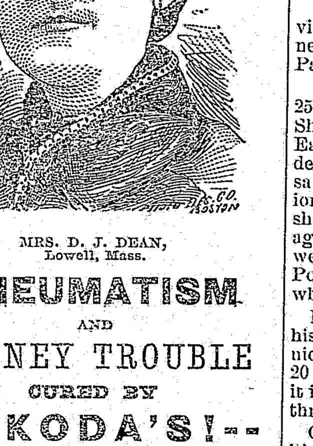

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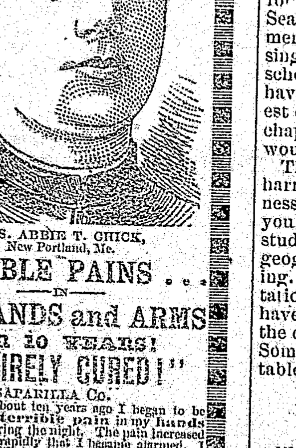

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NORTH PARIS.

Dan Emory is very sick with diphtheria.

Will Andrews is at work for Mrs. Butterfield.

Lovina Starbird is visting at America Andrews.

John Butterfield is at home from Boston where he has been at work for the city cleaning streets.

Mrs. Charles Stevens is reported beter. Her youngest son is sick with diptheria.

Mrs Cummings Lawrence is reported better.

Mr. Towle of Lewiston who is to draw lumber for Lewis Mann, of West Paris from North Sumner, came up Sunday with two teams but the rain Sunday prevented their working.

Persis Childs is on the sick list.

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GRAFTON.

Very cold weather Thursday morning, the 4th inst., in the different thermometers in town were from 22 to 26 degrees below zero.

O. J. Condon, the B Mills Co.'s scaler, is in town again this winter. We think this is his 13th winter in Grafton. He boards at Mrs. N. M. Brown's. He will have 600,000 ft. of timber to scale.

Walter Brink of Bethel, is working for Geo. Otis.

Mrs. Tyler has returned home from caring for her son, Arthur. He is better.

"My Recollections of the War of the Rebellion" is the title of a book just received from the pen of Dr. William B. Lapham of Augusta. It contains 240 pages and is a history of the Twenty-third Maine Regiment, more especially Company F, and of the Seventh Maine Battery. A few copies only will be sold as the work is privately printed; price when sent by mail $1.15. It is finely printed on heavy white paper and substantially bound in cloth. Address W. B. Lapham, 18 Elm Street, Augusta, Me.

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SOUTH CONWAY, N. H.

John F. Stott and wife went to Mass. to spend the holidays. They have written that they are having a very pleasant visit.

Katharine Page, the school teacher in this district, was very agreeably surprised Monday morning, the 26th, in receiving a Christmas present from some of her scholars. It was a nice plush jewelry box lined with satin. The givers were Fred Garland, Will Philbrook, Abbie Stott, Lula Nute, Lizzie Thompson, Belle French, Meda Meader, Charlie Mason, Arthur Garland, Georgie and Sammy Cole, Ora and Carol Wakefield, Ernest Davidson and Edith Wakefield. Then the Eaton sisters gave her a nut cracker and six nut picks. Miss Page was much pleased with her presents.

The Misses Wakefield and Ernest Davidson attended a lecture at Conway Corner last Thursday evening. Miss K. Page went with them.

Died in Conway Center, Sunday, the 25th, Miss Polly Odell aged 93 years. She was housekeeper for the Hon. Joel Eastman for many years. After his death she lived with Joel Morrill in the same house. Mr. Eastman made provisions for her to have a home there while she lived. He died some seven years ago. Mr. Morrill and family went out west some two months ago and John Potter and wife are living in the house while they are absent.

David Wakefield has been getting in his ice crop the past week. It is the nicest ice he ever cut. The cakes are 20 inches square and 15 inches thick and it is so clear you can see through it as through a square of glass.

C. M. Hill of Boston is in the place visiting his children and friends. It has been four years since he was here.

Inez Burnham of Center Conway, spent last Sabbath in this place at C. H. Willey's.

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LOVELL.—James E. Hutchins to Howard Charles, $100; Thos. W. Charles to Howard Charles, 500; same to same, 100; Geo. M. Harriman, et als. to Jas. T. Farnham, 50.

PORTER.—Wm. S. Mason to L. F. Stacy, $153; Emma Chapman to Clarence J. Libby, et als., 300; Isaac L. Hubbard to Enoch M. Barker, et als., 1.

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Children's Corner.

Dixfield, Jan. 1, 1893.

DEAR EDITOR.—I wish you a Happy New Year. I wish all of the little folks that write for your paper a Happy New Year. I was in Bethel when I wrote my last letter for the ADVERTISER. Now I am in Dixfield district No. 4, going to school. I like my teacher, her name is Ellen P. Kimball. We had a Xmas tree in the school-house. I had lots of presents, one was Drawing Teacher Geography presented by my teacher.

We have singing in our school, which makes it more interesting. We sing "Children's Song," "We love to make sweet music," "Skating Glee," "Work for the night is coming," and "Over the Sea" and other pieces which I will not mention. For morning exercise we have singing, Lord's Prayer, Bible verses, school mottoes and Commandments. I have learned the mottoes and the shortest chapter in the Bible, also the 13th chapter of I Cor. I wish my little friends would learn it.

The boy where I stop has a dog and he harnesses him up and rides. He harnessed the colt up to-day. I have told you before that I am 11 years old. I study history, grammar, arithmetic, geography, reading, spelling and writing. We write letters and notes of invitation and learn to answer them. We have recitations from the map and sing the capitals of the New England States. Sometimes we sing the multiplication tables.

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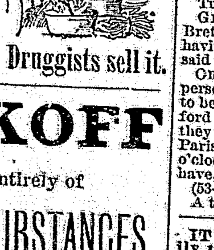

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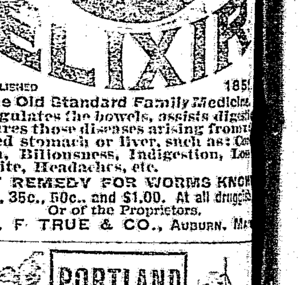

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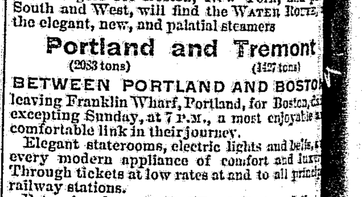

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Dec. 20, 1892. (53-2) MARY E. GAMMON.

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the county of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1892.

GEO. W. RICHARDS, Guardian of Samuel ... Brett, an insane person of Oxford, in said county, having presented his account of guardianship of said wards for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Guardian give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Court of Probate to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of January next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

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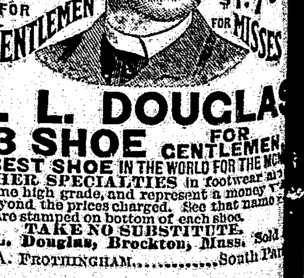

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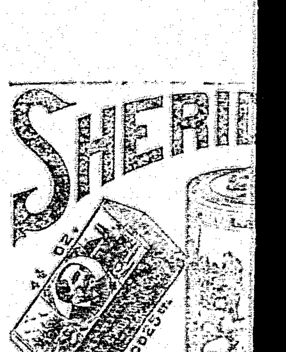

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Leave Bridgton,	6.00 A. M.	10.05 A. M.	5.55 P. M.
Arrive Portland,	8.15 A. M.	12.15 P. M.	8.15 P. M.
Leave Portland,	8.45 A. M.	1.05 P. M.	6.15 P. M.
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Best Coffee ever sold in West Paris,	32c.
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C. H. LANE.

[Written for the Advertiser.]

Memory's Bells.

BY ADDIE KENDALL MASON.

Through dim mysterious darkness,
From far away sylvan dells,
Comes the sound of merry music,
'Tis the chime of memory's bells.
Soft and low, to and fro,
List the tender chime,
Sweet and slow, rang I know
By friends of the olden time.

They rang just now a joyful peal,
Of some happy day in the past,
When with playmates full of childish glee,
The hours went by too fast.
Glad and gay, from far away,
Hear the merry sound,
Some roguish fay of a sunny day
The memory bells has found.

Now there comes a strain enchantingly sweet,
Don't you hear the glad bells ring?
As silvery sweet as the musical notes
Of the songs which the angels sing.
Sweet and clear, sounding near,
Coming and going so fleet.
They touch the ear like words of cheer,
The bells so madly sweet.

Ah! now there comes a weary note,
That sounds like a wail of woe,
Death is sounding the memory bells,
Tolling them sad and slow.
Sad and low, full of woe,
Out of the shadow land,
Soft and slow, to and fro,
They are rung by a vanished hand.

As flute like sweet as a bird's glad song,
Ring the bells from the vanished past,
And they bring me many a message true,
Of the years that have fled so fast.
Now swift, now slow, to and fro,
Sadly sweet they chime,
Sweet and low, rang I know,
By friends of the olden time.
West Bethel, Maine.

[Written for the Advertiser.]

The Old Norway Painter.

Among the familiar personages, who peopled the busy streets of Norway "before the war," no one was better or more favorably known than Ebenezer P. Fitz, the old village painter and glazier.

His stout dumpy figure with its short legs and waddling gait, was frequently seen on the street, clothed in white duck, well daubed with motley colors, carrying in one hand a well streaked paint-pot, while the other was kept busy attending to the wants of an overgrown meerschaum pipe.

With a pleasant greeting for all, and with shouts of laughter at his quaint remarks, as he rolled sailor-like down the street, he left a wide wake of smiles and sunshine well mingled with odors of paint and tobacco behind him.

It was a jolly crowd of genial spirits that used to haunt the murky atmosphere, redolent with tobacco smoke and good cheer, of the famous Old Elm House bar room. I seem to see them now. Quaint old "Bill" Millett, with weather beaten face, and firmly set jaws. Ben Greeley, boiling over with good humor, Abner Jackson (in love with the good-looking table girl!) and "Zeke" the famous horseman, with their California stories; Joe Tufts, with a voice like a Northern Viking, descanting upon the good "points" of a favorite bull; Steve Seavey with prominent nasal organ, and the queer little hitch in his speech; Will Woodbury, clean cut as a cameo, and choke full of "horse lore;" Sylvanus Cobb, Jr., with flowing locks and intellectual face, whose well tuned, deliberately uttered sentences were in such contrast with those of his associates; "Tim Ante" with his queer little chuckling laugh; mine host True—a host in himself;—all these and more, with a vigorous fringe of wide awake boys as highly interested, and appreciative spectators, made up a famous hotel picture of the olden time.

Among them all "Fitz" was easily first as a center of attraction. The good-natured butt of countless practical jokes,—a perfect master of all forms of jest and bandinage,—easily turning aside, the lingual thrusts of his jovial comrades, he was the acknowledged "foeman worthy of their steel," and easily kept the company in a roar!

I can recall but a single instance of his temper being seriously ruffled. Going slowly down the street one day with a huge basket of carpenters' shavings upon his back, some wag set on by his fellows, slipped out of the hotel barroom, and to the great delight of the "crowd" touched a lighted match to the procession! The dancing flames soon enveloped the basket and the man, who suddenly deposited his fiery load in the middle of the street, and proceeded energetically to execute a most vigorous war dance around the burning pile, with an accompaniment of something very like profanity, and imprecations upon the whole world in general, and upon Steve Seavey in particular. "Fitz" had no further use for the basket, and stalked home in high dudgeon, with overwhelming brows and vicious glances.

In Sylvanus Cobb, Jr.'s "Sketches" written for the New York Ledger, Mr. Fitz appears as "Fitzeben," a darkey servant of the famous Hunting Party, nearly all of whom found their originals in well-known Norwegians—contemporaries of Cobb—and easily recognized by all Norway people of those days.

"Ben Gilroy" was Benjamin Greeley, "Ned Hobson," E. M. Hobbs, the well known horseman and stable keeper, who died in Providence, R. I., many years ago. "Ben Abner" was Abner F. Jackson, the genial shoe manufacturer of Norway, many years ago. "Uncle Abner and Aunt Fanny" were Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Bridgton, the well known "old settlers" whose genial eccentricities had endeared them to a vast circle of relatives and friends. Many of their quaint ways and pithy sayings were incorporated into, and preserved in Cobb's famous and very popular sketches of adventure, which had such a phenominal "run" in the Ledger. Among the favorite characters, none was more popular or excited more mirth in Old Norway than "Fitzeben" the subject of our sketch, who was extremely dark-skinned, but by no means of African descent. Cobb was at that time living in Norway Village, and the Ledgers were looked for anxiously each week, to learn into what ludicrous situations he would place his Norway characters.

The old Norwegians will readily recall the huge roars of laughter that greeted the Ledger recorded adventures of "Ap. Young Rudolpho, M. D." with "Ned Hobson's" tame bear at Island Pond!—purely imaginary of course, but turned a full stream of laughter upon our genial old friend "Dr." Young the village apothecary, who vowed in some way to "git even with Sylvan Cobb—yer jest bet yer boots!"

Fitz once had a very nice and very fat pig, of which he was very proud, and spent a generous share of his time in sounding the praises, and boasting as to the weight of his favorite. At length the pig became a hog, and a very fat hog ineeed,—so much so as to be unable to stand upon its feet. Some very wicked boys, (A. Oscar Noyes, if he were alive, could give their names) attached a stout fish-line to Porker's tail and carrying the line through the pig-pen fence, across several back-yards, hid themselves in the shadow of distant out-buildings, and began playing a strange tune a-la-Chinese fiddle, all upon one string. The vigorous tones from the sty quickly called Fitz to the rescue. The sympathizing neighbors, and the usual "sidewalk committee," well in the secret, assembled in goodly numbers, while the reasons for the unusual serenade were duly discussed. Hunger! colic! grief! dispair! rebellion! homesickness—each was in turn suggested and duly discussed. With a breast full of sympathy poor piggy's master climbed into the pen and took a hasty survey of his pet, when suddenly his legs became entangled in the fish-line. Piggy's remonstrances suddenly increased, and were echoed by a huge mocking roar from the other end of the line, while the sound of rapidly retreating footsteps came from the direction of Beal's meadow. It is said that brimstone could be smelled for several days in the region of the Fitz homestead, and no one ventured to say pork to the old painter.

Mr. Fitz held an enviable reputation as a skillful workman, and for many years was King of the Paint Pots in all Norway and surrounding towns.

In this employment he was ably seconded by his industrious son John, afterwards the well known and gallant soldier of the 1st, 10th, 29th Regt. Maine Volunteers.

Many years rolled by, and the changing circumstances of life brought Mr. Fitz to Franklin, Mass.

Here, as elsewhere, his skill with the brush was quickly discovered and his services sought upon the very best structures in town. Slow, faithful, thorough was his method, and to-day his handiwork is pointed out as never excelled, or indeed equalled in all this region.

In one of the grandest mansions in this County were pointed out to the writer the beautiful doors done so many years ago by the old Norway painter. The rest of the splendid mansion has very often been transformed by the brushes of modern workmen, but the handiwork of the Old Master upon those elegant doors has never been touched in all the years.

The weight of years came slowly down upon the sturdy frame of our old Norwegian.

One by one the friends of his earlier years dropped from the ranks of the living. Clouds of adversity came—not singly but in overwhelming darkness, and the genial old painter's mind became unsettled.

One morning the quiet village was horror-stricken to learn that our old friend had sought and found forgetfulness and oblivion beneath the quiet surface of yonder stream. J. C. GALLISON.

Franklin, Mass., Dec. 31, 1892.

USE DANA'S SARSAPARILLA, ITS "THE KIND THAT CURES."

The Laurel in the Pines at Lakewood N. J. has for proprietor Horrace Porter of Waterford. Mr. Porter has formerly run this and the Lakewood in company with another.

USE SKODA'S DISCOVERY, THE GREAT BLOOD AND NERVE REMEDY.

[Written for the Advertiser.]

And Why Not Bethel?

A great deal is being said and done in regard to changing the location of the county buildings but thus far if Bethel has been mentioned in that connection I have failed to see it. She must not be passed over in silence, hence a word or two on her advantages may not be amiss at this time.

So far it has been all Norway or South Paris and I presume the good people of both those thriving towns think no other place is to be thought of as being "in it." That is all right in them and no one can blame them for being so zealous. But to my mind Bethel is very much in it or would be if her people would "hustle" a little.

Now as to the point in the county most easily reached by the greatest number of the inhabitants thereof, which is the chief consideration. And right here please bear in mind that the future growth and changes are to be thought of as well as the present situation of things. The point selected should be right as well for the following fifty years as the next five and it is really of more importance that it should be so. So that it does not follow, necessarily, that because there are more people within two miles of the proposed site at South Paris at the present time than at Bethel, that hence Bethel is ineligible. Then are five times as many people at a distance and they are the ones to be reckoned with.

Take your Maine Register and map and the following appears: that Norway, Paris, Oxford, Hebron, Buckfield, Sumner and Hartford would naturally prefer South Paris or Norway. The towns comprise some 10,600 people and a valuation of some \$4,000,000.

On the other hand there are Albany, Andover, Bethel, Byron, Dixfield, Gilead, Hastings, Greenwood, (Locke's Mills) Hiram, Lovell, Mason, Mexico, Newry, Peru, Roxbury, Rumford, Stoneham, Stow, Woodstock, Franklin, Lincoln, Milton and Magalloway Plantations, to which Bethel is by a greater or less degree more accessible. Allowing Rumford 3,000 inhabitants and \$1,500,000 in valuation (which will be a low estimate before any new buildings can be completed) and we have some 13,500 people and nearly \$5,000,000 of property in 1893. The remaining towns, Fryeburg, Canton, Hiram, Porter, Brownfield, Sweden and Waterford are about as near to one place as the other. This is the present view of the situation.

Now let us look into the future only a few years, say twenty, and ask "what changes are probable at that time?"

The future growth of Oxford County, it is apparent, is going to be much more in the upper portions than in the southern part. The towns in the latter section are to-day well settled, the land all into farms practically speaking, and the villages, with the exception of possibly two or three, as large as they will be for many years to come. In the northern part it is to-day to a large extent undeveloped and that not because there is nothing to develop but simply waiting the nearer approach of the iron horse. And that is coming. Railroads are being talked of, projected and built, Rumford to Bethel, Gilead to the Wild river section, Berlin up the Magalloway, Rumford to the Lakes. All these are probabilities of the near future.

Then consider the mighty water powers all through that section, whose services will be made the foundation of many fortunes, of enterprises without number, and so the means in connection with the wealth of timber resources and fine farming lands, now untouched, of building up many a thriving settlement.

The increase of property and inhabitants of the next fifteen years in Oxford County will be ten to one in favor of the section from Rumford Falls north and west as against the other portion. Can any one dispute it successfully? Who will undertake to say that the population of Rumford in 1900, only seven years hence, will not be one-fourth of the entire county and the valuation bear even a greater proportion? Not to speak of a period any more remote (and fifteen years will pass almost before we are aware of it.)

Again I say Bethel is soon to be the one proper place for the county seat. As a village she is just a little ahead I think (I live here) of any other for the purpose. The best water service in the county secures, practically, immunity from fire, her hotel accommodations are adequate, a most desirable site within three or four minutes' walk of the station can be found, and her people can be relied upon to do their part as the case requires.

So, for one, I say if the buildings are to be moved bring them here. But after all is it not best to wait, even at an expense of 20 or 30 cents per head, for a few years and see then where is the best place. And is it going to cost quite \$8,000 or \$10,000 to put the jail in shape and keep us from breaking out if we go in? Think it over. I am a Bethelite.

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Some Interesting Inside History in the Life of a Business Man.

He Speaks Strongly and Staight to the Point.

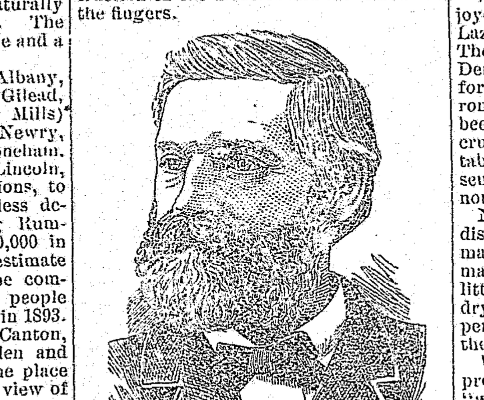
The successes of prominent business men are always of great interest to the people.

So, also, when a well-known and honored man is in trouble through illness, not only his friends, but all who know him by reputation, are deeply interested in his welfare.

Mr. Seth E. Parsons is one of the leading business men of Albany, N. Y., and is widely known and highly esteemed as a citizen of sterling integrity, with the energy and force of character characteristic of our American business men.

Seen at his home, 22 Park St., by our paper's representative, he expressed himself in terms of the greatest gratification that he had escaped possibly a most serious nervous difficulty which might have prostrated him.

"I was very nervous," he said, "I could not hold my hands still, especially my left hand; there was an involuntary contraction of the muscles and movement of the fingers.



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"My food troubled me very soon after eating. My kidneys and bladder were affected so it was difficult to urinate freely.

"I used the celebrated medicine, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and without being tedious reciting my experience. I can say that these difficulties have left me and my nerves are quiet, and my food does not distress me.

"I feel, without hesitation in saying, that I think Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy has produced these favorable results."

We have heard of many remarkable cures being effected by this remedy, but when we learn directly and from his own words of its curing a man of Mr. Parson's prominence and standing, we believe that such a cure should be to all a guarantee of the great curative powers of the remedy and should influence all thinking persons who are suffering from disease to use this truly remarkable medicine. It can be purchased for \$1 at any druggist's, and we know it is purely vegetable and harmless.

What gives us most confidence in this remedy is the fact that it is the discovery and prescription of Dr. Greene, of 34 Temple Place, Boston, Mass., the eminent specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases, and that the doctor offers to all sufferers free consultation with him, either by calling at his office or writing him.

BETHEL.

The patrons of Bear River Grange, Newry Corner, met on the evening of Jan. 5th, for the purpose of installing the following officers for the year 1893: Master, Hiram Bean; overseer, Warren Small; lecturer, Mariette Powers; steward, Arthur Holt; assistant steward, Mrs. Roxanna Penley; chaplain, John C. Saunders; treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Small; secretary, Alpha T. Powers; gate keeper, Loring Trask; pomona, Mrs. J. C. Saunders; flora, Mrs. Arthur Holt; ceres, Mrs. Frank Russell; lady assistant steward, Ethel Hammonds. We also had the pleasure of entertaining our brother and sister from Caribou. A fine evening, a genial company and a bountiful supper made a social success.

The unprecedented sale of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup provokes competition; but the people cling to Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

[Written for the Advertiser.]

A Tempest in a Teapot.

Whew! what a breeze the Democrat is kicking up. Men insulted, mud thrown, etc. If we have insulted any one of the list enumerated in the Democrat we wish to humbly apologize. How about "A. B.'s" article? Was that a myth? Any mud there for a starter?

In the wind up of the tirade comes the old weapon—"Who are they and what taxes do they pay?" There it is again, taunted of our poverty as usual in such cases made and provided.

Any mud there? We that hold to the creed should heed the lesson of the widow's mite, being accounted of more worth than that given out of abundance. Yes we are poor and the poor are heavily taxed in proportion to their holdings compared with their neighbors. Jay Gould paid on only five hundred thousand out of his millions.

I have a vague remembrance of a story of a rich bachelor of whom a poor woman sought relief in her distress. His purse strings would not unloose. She then pleaded in behalf of her poor children. "Ah! married very foolishly? When poor folks marry poor folks, what then? People should look after the main chance."

We can't all look after the main chance, we are not built that way. If every woman was an heiress then every man could marry wealth without being accused of marrying for money, and everything would be lovely, and we could all pay our taxes and not have our poverty held up on every turn.

We read too of the rich man who enjoyed the good things of the earth—a Lazarus also a beggar. A change came. The poor man had his reward. The Democrat has enjoyed the good things for many a day in the form of legal patronage and otherwise, while others have been compelled to put up with the crumbs which fall from the master's table. The Democrat quite often will send a jibe or a thrust where there are none to molest or make them afraid.

Now don't let us be peevish, a spirited discussion makes it interesting for the masses here in the country where dramatic entertainments are rare, and if a little mud is occasionally thrown, let it dry, then brush. Long continued prosperity sometimes makes us unmindful of the sensibilities of others.

We like the Democrat and hope for its prosperity, but it must remember that "whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth." OXFORD.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY,
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
{ SEAL. } A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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SOUTH PARIS.

SINGE POLE.—Mrs. C. Wm. Shaw visited relatives on Paris Hill Saturday.

Philip Mason and Sewell Rowe are cutting wood for W. S. Starbird.

Alfred and Rose Starbird are going to school on the Hill.

Gordon Elder is on the sick list.

Ira Shaw has been drawing hay from the Mixer place for Capt. Trybou.

USE DANA'S SARSAPARILLA, ITS "THE KIND THAT CURES."

NO. 4 HILL.—Dr. Whitman is teaching the winter school in this district. This is the doctor's sixth school in this district.

Warren Winchester is at work for A. O. Corbett. Mr. Corbett bought a heifer of E. E. Lander the past week. He also has a new horse.

A family Christmas tree at A. O. Corbett's and C. Wm. Shaw's Christmas eve.

LET ME SHOW YOU

What a saving I have made during the last year by being my own doctor. Last year I paid out \$93.25 for doctors and their medicine; this year I paid \$5 for six bottles of Sulphur Bitters, and they have kept health in my whole family. They are the best and purest medicine ever made.—Charles King, 60 Temple St., Boston, Mass. 23

DIXFIELD.

Alonzo Benson died Dec. 30th after a long and lingering illness.

"The doctor said my faith in Johnson's Anodyne Liniment was correct," writes a lady.

Mrs. Henry Luce went to Lewiston to visit friends last Saturday and returned Monday.

A two horse load of young folks from district No. 4 attended the drama at the village last Monday night and enjoyed themselves very much.

USE SKODA'S DISCOVERY, THE GREAT BLOOD AND NERVE REMEDY.

[Written for the Advertiser.]

An Old Time School Episode.

The writer of this being a resident of Elm Hill, or as is better known perhaps as Turkey Hill, in Paris for over forty years remembers a good many incidents that happened in all these years. One in particular is quite vivid in his mind.

In the year 1852 or '53 Wellington Hobbs of Norway, an old school teacher, taught our winter term of school and boarded at my father's house. He was an excellent teacher and the scholars were progressing finely with their studies till along towards the last of the term one of the boys some sixteen years old (we withhold his name) committed some misdemeanor. Mr. Hobbs' anger was aroused and threatened the young gentleman with some severe punishment later on.

At the afternoon recess the young man instead of going back into the schoolroom went home to avoid a thrashing for he well knew that the teacher meant just what he said.

If my memory serves me rightly he didn't return to school again for a week or more. Then he went into the schoolroom with the other scholars and took his seat. The teacher called the school to order and heard the classes read and went through the usual exercises till noon. School commenced again at one o'clock and the classes in reading were heard, when the teacher deliberately walked out of the school-house and closed the doors behind him.

In a few moments he was seen through a window to reach up into a hornbeam tree and with a jackknife cut off a good switch stick. The lad who had been absent from school so long knew what he had got to take if he remained in the school-house. He sprang from his seat and was quickly out of the room, and ran toward the road. The teacher saw him and started after him with long strides, pursuing him to the road. Seeing the lad had got too much the start of him, he turned abruptly and walked back into the school-room as composed as though nothing unusual had happened, while the runaway was making quick time for home and didn't come to school again until the last day, when there was to be a grand time.

The scholars' parents were invited to attend the closing exercises and as there was to be a treat consisting of molasses candy, corn balls, etc., the district was well represented and the school-house was full of people. The fugitive also came and passed in with the crowd. When the teacher saw him he went to him and reprimanded him and in a voice loud enough for all to hear gave him a chance to settle the difficulty by going out into the floor and acknowledge that he had done wrong and ask the teacher's forgiveness.

It was a bitter pill for him but with some reluctance he walked out before the audience and asked the teacher to forgive him, which he did, and the matter was settled and the last day was spent pleasantly. H. F. S.

A LEADER.

Since its first introduction, Electric Bitters has gained rapidly in popular favor, until now it is clearly in the lead among pure medicinal tonics and alteratives—containing nothing which permits its use as a beverage or intoxicant; it is recognized as the best and purest medicine for all ailments of Stomach, Liver or Kidneys.—It will cure Sick Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, and drive Malaria from the system. Satisfaction guaranteed with each bottle or the money will be refunded. Price only 50c. per bottle Sold by KIMBALL & WILLIAMSON.

CENTER CHATHAM, N.H.

We have had very fine weather of late.

Christmas was celebrated the 23d at the town hall. Music by Frank Giles, speaking and singing by the children; also tableaux and Santa Claus. A very good time was enjoyed by all.

Clarence Day and Byron Irish were in town last week.

Lyman Irish is at work in Stow.

Fred McKeen was at E. H. Guptill's recently.

The missionary ladies have gone to Waterford after hard laboring here.

Eva Smith has a new organ which she feels very proud of.

Frank Hill of Fryeburg was in town last week.

Mrs. Clay is gaining slowly.

Delbert Watson and wife are living at Mr. Watson's this winter.

E. H. Guptill has sold his beef cow to Mr. Jackson.

We are all subject to pain occasionally and it is well to have a good liniment in the house, such as Salvation Oil. 25 cts.

C. M. Bisbee of Sumner has been appointed justice of the peace

USE SKODA'S DISCOVERY, THE GREAT BLOOD AND NERVE REMEDY.

PORTER.

Charles H. Lane who works at Worcester, Mass., is at home for a short vacation.

Aroline Pugsley with her sister Dora went to Boston to spend the holidays. We think the city has some special attraction for both.

Mrs. Abbie Davis and her daughter Maud of East Hiram and Lizzie Norton spent Christmas at their brother's. Richard Norton's.

Elmer Norton who is at work in or near Boston, is also at the old homestead to spend his vacation.

Mrs. John F. Ridlon has gone to Lynn, Mass., to spend a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Fred Tucker. Mrs. R.'s sister, Nellie Chapman, is keeping house for her and making the children mind while she is gone.

Dora Towle recently made us a very agreeable visit.

Lyman Burbank who had his leg broken a short time ago while he was in the woods at work skidding timber, is improving.

Lewis Leavitt, teacher in district No. 8, went to Snowville, N. H., to spend Xmas.

Piles, Piles, Itching Piles. (43-16

SYMPTOMS—Moisture; intense itching and stinging; most at night; worse by stratching. If allowed to continue, tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. SWAYNE'S OINTMENT stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in most cases, removes the tumors. At Druggists, or by mail for 50 cents. Dr. Swayne & Son, Philadelphia

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The Professor of Physiological Chemistry at Yale College Analyzes Kickapoo Indian Sagwa—It is Pronounced Purely Vegetable and Absolutely free from Mineral and other Harmful Admixtures—A compound of Great Remedial Value—Nature's Gift to Nature's Children.

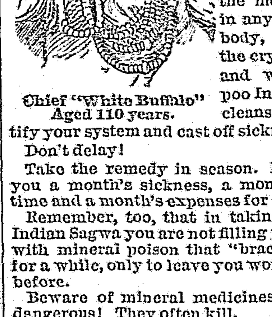
To prove that Kickapoo Indian Sagwa is worthy of public confidence, and that it is a remedy of remarkable curative value, Messrs. Healy & Bigelow of New Haven, the agents for the Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co., requested that an analysis of Indian Sagwa should be made by the Professor of Physiological Chemistry at Yale College, considered one of the highest authorities in the country.

This he did and reported as follows:

"After a chemical analysis of Indian Sagwa, and examining the various substances entering into its composition, I find it to be an Extract of Roots, Barks and Herbs, of Valuable Remedial Action, without any mineral or other deleterious admixtures."

He had no suggestions to offer which could improve Sagwa, as it was a remarkably perfect combination, and it is safe to say that no improvement could be made.

Thousands of cures attest to its remarkable curative properties. The health and longevity of the Indian proves the potency of the Indian's medicine.



Chief "White Buffalo" Aged 110 years.

Indian Sagwa keeps him well. If you feel "run down" or lack appetite, don't sleep well, have a bad taste in the mouth, pains in any part of the body, respond to the cry of nature, and with Kickapoo Indian Sagwa cleanse and fortify your system and cast off sickness.

Don't delay!

Take the remedy in season. It may save you a month's sickness, a month's loss of time and a month's expenses for a doctor.

Remember, too, that in taking Kickapoo Indian Sagwa you are not filling your system with mineral poison that "braces you up" for a while, only to leave you worse off than before.

Beware of mineral medicines! They are dangerous! They often kill.

Remember, *Kickapoo Indian Sagwa contains no mineral or other harmful ingredients,"* says the highest and unprejudiced authority.

Sagwa is a remedy for all time and for all seasons. It restores the stomach, liver and kidneys to a state of perfect health; and if these organs are in good condition you need not fear disease. Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Liver complaint, Disease of the Kidneys, Nervous troubles, Scrofula, Erysipelas and all blood disorders are cured and prevented by the harmless and valuable compound of roots, barks and herbs.

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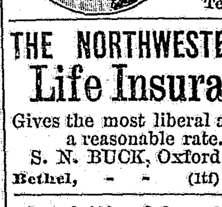

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE.

WHEREAS, Edwin M. Rowe, then of Norway, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, did, on the thirtieth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, by his mortgage deed of that date, convey to the undersigned, a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Norway, and bounded as follows: Easterly by the road leading from Norway Lake post-office by the old David Noyes tavern stand, to Greenwood; northerly by the Thomas Witt estate; westerly by land of Rufus K. Morrill, and southerly by land of the late Milan Bennett and Charles F. Boober, and being the homestead of the late Merrill J. Rowe. And whereas, the conditions of said mortgage deed have been broken, this notice is given for the purpose of foreclosing the same. HENRY M. BEARCE.
Norway, Me., Jan. 4, 1893. 1-3

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1892.

LUCY B. HALL, Administratrix on the estate of Silas E. Hall, late of Norway, in said county, deceased, having presented her account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That the said Administratrix give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Co. Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of January next, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.
53-2 GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

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The partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of BEAN & SWAN, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by J. W. SWAN & CO., who will settle all affairs of the late firm.
BEAN & SWAN.
Norway, Dec. 29, 1892. 1-3

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

Having purchased the interest of Mr. Bean in the firm of Bean & Swan, we would announce to our friends and patrons that we shall continue the Clothing business at the old stand. With many thanks for past favors we solicit a continuance of the same, Wishing all a Happy New Year.
J. W. SWAN & CO.
Norway, Dec. 30, 1892.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE COURT OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF OXFORD:

Your petit oners would respectfully represent that the present condition of the County buildings is such as to acquire the expenditure of large sums of money to make them safe and convenient.

That our County records, including those of the Registry of Deeds, Probate Office and Clerk of Courts, are not properly protected from fire, but are hourly in danger of destruction thereby.

That we have no suitable room in which to hold Probate Court.

That our jail has been condemned by the Jail Commissioners of the State.

That the present location of the buildings renders them inconvenient of access by the great majority of the citizens of the County.

That it would be unwise to expend any more money on the buildings as at present located.

That the present financial condition of the County warrants the erection of new, safe, commodious and convenient buildings, at a moderate and reasonable cost.

Wherefore, your petitioners, citizens of Oxford County, would respectfully ask your Honors, after due consideration, to decide upon the erection of new County buildings, at some point in the town of Paris, near to and easily accessible from the railroad station in South Paris village, and give notice of your intentions and the place where you propose to locate said buildings to the Municipal officers of each town in the County, to the end that the voters of each town can pass upon the same at their next annual meeting.
A. F. ANDREWS, et als.

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS.
Board of County Commissioners,
December Session, 1892.

Upon the foregoing petition, satisfactory evidence having been received that the petitioners are responsible, it is ordered that the County Commissioners meet at the Court House, in Paris, on Thursday the nineteenth day of January next, at ten o'clock a. m., where a hearing of the parties and their witnesses will be had, and such other measures taken in the premises as the Commissioners shall judge proper. And it is further ordered, that notice of the time, place and purpose of the Commissioners' meeting aforesaid, be given to all persons and corporations interested, by causing attested copies of said petition and of this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, a newspaper printed at Norway, in said County, and the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County of Oxford, to the end that all persons and corporations may then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted.
ATTEST: ALBERT S. AUSTIN, Clerk.
A true copy of said Petition and Order of Court thereon.
ATTEST: ALBERT S. AUSTIN Clerk.

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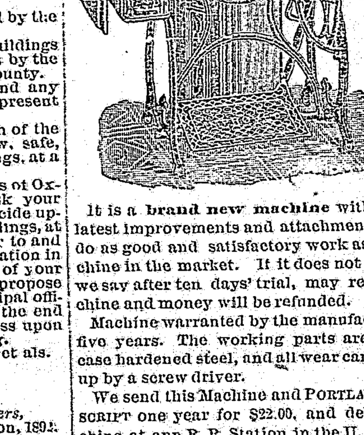

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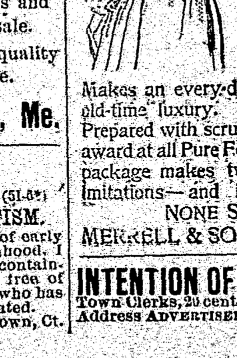

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[Written for the Advertiser.]

Good Thoughts and Duties.

To the editor of the ADVERTISER, correspondents and readers, I wish you a happy year and while we realize that life is swiftly passing and has been preserved through the past year, we ought to take a retrospective view of our fellowmen. If not in accordance with the teachings of our Saviour, let us the coming year try and emulate the precepts and examples of our Redeemer.

Let us take the Bible for our rule of faith and practice and look with an eye of hope to that world beyond the grave where sorrow and sighing shall be no more. Let us in all things "do unto others as we would that they should do to us." Be kind and good to our fellowmen, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick, comfort the afflicted. These acts are the requirements of almost every duty of a christian life which requires him or her to submit to the will of their Creator.

The religion of Jesus Christ I urge it on every one, young and old, for I feel and know it can wipe the falling tear from the eye of the disconsolate widow and hush the cries of the mourning orphan. It can bear the cup of consolation to the prisoner in the dark dungeon of despair and whisper the tender words of peace to the mourner in the darkest hours of sorrow.

It is like the rainbow set in the retiring clouds after the flood. It spreads across all the storms of human affliction and is a sure pledge of fairer and brighter scenes to come. Its price is far above rubies. All the glittering diamonds of Golconda or shining gold of Ophor is filthy trash compared to religion.

I am kneeling at the threshold,
Weary, faint and sore,
Waiting for the dawning
Of the opening of the door,
Waiting till the master
Shall bid me rise and come
To the glory of his presence,
To the gladness of his home.

A weary path I've traveled,
'Mid darkness, storm and strife,
Bearing many a burden,
Striving for my life;
But now the dawn is breaking,
My toil will soon be o'er,
I'm kneeling at the threshold,
My hand is on the door.

Methinks I hear the voices,
Of the blessed as they stand,
Singing in the sunshine
Of the future sinless land;
O would that I were with them,
Amid their shining throng,
Mingling in their worship
And joining in their song.

The friends that started with me
Have entered long ago,
One by one they left me,
Struggling with the foe,
Their pilgrimage was shorter,
Their triumph sooner won,
How lovingly they'll hail me,
When all my toil is done.

With them the blessed angels,
Who know no grief or sin,
I see them by the portals
Prepared to let me in.
O Lord, I wait thy pleasure,
Thy time and ways are best,
I am wasted, worn and weary,
O Father give me rest.
M. CHANDLER.

Fryeburg Center, Jan. 1, 1893.

USE SKODA'S DISCOVERY, THE GREAT BLOOD AND NERVE REMEDY.

NORTH BRIDGTON.

So far as arranged the speakers of the Bridgton Academy Lecture Course will be Rev. R. Henry Davis of North Conway, N. H., on "Old Slavery Days;" Dennis M. Cole of Westfield, Mass., on the "Discovery of Grand Falls;" Albert W. Tolman of Brunswick, on "The China of To-day" and Llewellyn Barton. A fifth lecture will be given, probably by Prof. Chapman or Rev. Dr. Blanchard. Rev. Mr. Davis was a native Kentuckian and will speak of personal recollections. Mr. Cole's lecture will be illustrated with pictures thrown by a lime light. It will be remembered that he was one of the young men in the Bowdoin party, who after much suffering made a successful trip to the Grand Falls in Labrador.

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A STARTLING FACT.

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Dr. Lambert the general medical director of the Equitable Life Insurance Company, N. Y., said:

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This appalling statement coming as it does, from such high medical authority, should have the attention of our citizens. There is no reason to-day, why people should allow kidney disease to get such a hold on them.

Nature sends her warning in the slight pain in the back, poor circulation of the blood, sediment in the urine. When any of these symptoms appear, Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy should be taken in small doses at once, and thus drive the poison out of the blood and restore the kidneys to healthy action.

To our knowledge this is the only medicine that surely and effectually cures this almost universal complaint.

We note the happy recovery of Mr. Oscar Lambert, of Jerico, Mo., whose case has been talked of in the papers the world over.

Oscar Lambert.

Quoting from his letter.

"I neglected the first symptoms until I found myself in bed with a complicated disease of the kidneys. No mortal ever suffered more and lived. My physician failed to help me. I then used Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, made at Rondout, N. Y. It relieved my kidneys almost immediately, and in a few weeks I was clear of all pain, and entirely cured. I owe my present lease of life to Favorite Remedy."

It is used and recommended for what it accomplishes. Writes Mrs. A. J. F. Manchester, from Providence, R. I.

"I began using Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy for kidney disease, when Doctors failed to relieve me. It drove a bad humor out of my blood, cured my kidney trouble, and I am truthful when I say it saved my life."

Wm. Huston the popular West Shore R. R. engineer, came out in an open letter stating how he had suffered with kidney disease. Physicians' treatment, and the use of various preparations failed to benefit him. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, was procured and it made him well.

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"To Be or Not To Be."

We are told, and on good authority too, that there is no surplus in the County Treasury or a possible surplus only sufficient to repair the county buildings. Why squander that surplus, if any there is, in repairs, Brother Democrat?

You seem to admit in your last paper that repairs to the extent of between two and three thousand dollars are now necessary to keep those buildings inhabitable and safe vaults for the records.

Some few weeks ago only $500 was necessary but now it has got up to thousands. Is there any limit to the expense of these repairs?

You are possessed with too much good sense to really believe that it is economy for the tax payers to repair these buildings.

You know it costs the tax payers more to do the county business on Paris Hill than it would on the line of the railroad. Why insist on turning more good money into those buildings?

It isn't economy.
It's extravagance.
The result will be disappointing.

Thirty thousand dollars will provide for this County suitable county buildings. Can we afford to have them? That is the question.

They should be located where they are accessible.

To our mind no more money should be squandered in repairing those old buildings.

A. W. Walker says:—"About the beginning of the agitation I was on Paris Hill and heard an able counselor on the other side say: 'Now we cannot gainsay one single article in this petition; we must meet and defeat it on the matter of expense and taxation.'"

This edict went forth and since then we have been told almost everything but the truth. We don't want to mislead our readers. There is no occasion for it.

There will be a hearing before the County Commissioners next Thursday and we would suggest to our readers that it would be a good time for them to visit the capital of Oxford County and look those buildings over.

See if those vaults are fire proof.
Examine the jail.

Ask the jailer why he took those horse thieves out of the boiler iron cell and put them in the lower cell.

We rather guess the jail commissioner told the truth in his report of Paris Hill jail.

We think you will agree with him after you have examined it.

We have no intention of inflating the cost of repairing the county buildings. To repair them it will cost enough we dare say and the result will be very unsatisfactory.

To keep them in repair will be a continual expense. It has cost over $1200 to repair the buildings in the last eight years. In what condition are they today?

The lowest estimate of cost of present necessary repairs, coming from the official organ of the Paris Hill people, is in the vicinity of $2500 to $3000.

They will be old buildings then. Three miles from the railroad. We will then continue to pay extra milage, extra freight bills and express charges. The people will be obliged to travel up that hill for another eight or ten years.

Then will come another County Building Agitation. They must come to the railroad. They will come to the railroad sooner or later.

It is folly to expend more money in repairing those buildings.

To Build or to Repair, Which?

It is urged by our friends on the Hill that "our present county buildings are already in better repair than the majority of farm buildings throughout this county," and therefore we need no new buildings.

We believe they are wrong in their statement and at fault in their argument. It has been our privilege to travel over the larger part of the county during the past year and we have seen but few inhabited buildings which so ill become the use to which they are put as our present county buildings do to serve the purpose for which they were erected. The jail is a disgrace to the county and has received the strongest condemnation by the jail commissioner of the State.

Twice during the past year has it been emptied through the chimney. Each time it was repaired until it was "one of the safest prisons in Maine," as some of the people on the Hill would have us believe. Yet the condition of that jail is the source of considerable anxiety, not only to the jailer and good people of the Hill but to the sheriff. Why did they take the horse-thieves from the cell sheathed with boiler iron and put them in the lower dungeon?

The vaults in which are stored the county records are not fire proof and we are glad to see that the Democrat concedes this fact.

The walls are so badly cracked that they cannot be repaired except by being entirely rebuilt. To do this and enlarge the Probate court room will cost according to the Democrat about $3000. They claim that responsible architects will bid to do this for the above amount. But we wish to assure the Democrat that they cannot get any responsible architect to say over his own signature that it will be cheaper for the county in the long run to make these repairs than it would to at once build new buildings.

The court house property is a brick building with a frame addition on either end. This building is old and dilapidated, one of the additions has broken away from the main building which adds nothing to its general appearance. Strange as it may seem there are many cattle in our county better housed than our court.

We are a civilized people. We, for the good of all make laws for our own government. We create a court to construe these laws and deal out justice according to the law and the evidence. Doing all this it is a duty that we owe to ourselves to house and surround that court with a dignity befitting the sovereign power with which we have clothed it. This duty is acknowledged by every true American as can be seen by the court houses which mark the county seat of every county in this great Union, our own building being the poorest of the lot. Why is this? The people of Oxford County are as intelligent and patriotic as any in the land. They are neither slothful nor niggardly but a combination of circumstances have made them slow in this matter.

When the county seat was located in 1805 there was no railroad in the county and the Hill was then one of the most important villages near the center of the county and convenient to the people. It was therefore wisely selected as the seat of county government and the reasons which caused this selection are the same reasons which will cause a removal. A railroad was built through the county leaving the court house three miles to one side and from that day to the present the Hill has continually lost the prestige which at one time made it famous. Other railroads have been built, villages have sprung up which have become the trade and money centers of the county, and the Hill through circumstances over which it had no control has so lost its geography that now it is located as being three miles from South Paris. But the court house was located there and many were opposed to moving it on account of the warm personal friendship which existed between themselves and the many excellent families who make that pretty village their home. How warm this friendship and "consideration for the feelings of the people on the Hill" has been, is shown by the length of time that the buildings have been allowed to remain there since the time when the convenience of the county would have been served by their being moved to the railroad. While many for the above reason favored the buildings remaining on the Hill, yet there was a universal protest against paying out any more money on the buildings as at present located, for this reason the commissioners have made as small repairs as possible. We believe this is why Oxford county is so much behind the rest of the world in the matter of county buildings. Had Paris Hill been on the railroad new buildings would have been built (thereby saving money to the county) twenty years ago, for our neighbors are admirers of neither the architectural beauty or the utility of the present buildings, but its being either that or nothing they wisely shut their eyes and firmly fixed their minds on the dignity of being the county seat. The dilemma is a peculiar one and the only argument advanced by the people of the Hill which is given any credit through the county is that the present buildings can be repaired so as to be got along with at an expense of a few thousand dollars. This may be true as they seem to think the county can get along without much of any thing provided the county seat is still located on the Hill. To repair an old set of buildings where every thing is so thoroughly out of repair one hardly knows where to begin and never knows where to leave off, we are in much the same condition in regard to our buildings as the man was with his knife which needed new blades and a new handle and we hope it will be left to the voters of the county whether they shall buy their new blades and new handle one at a time or get a new knife at one purchase.

BUCKFIELD.

Monday morning, Jan. 2, by the Rev. Mr. Lawrence, were married J. D. Emery of Boston and Ellen U. Morrill of this place, taking the morning train for Boston their future home.

Dr. Childs has lost a promising Baby Dean colt by breaking a leg in the stall.

Belle Boyd lectured at Nezinscott Hall last Friday eve. Between 80 and 90 present as reported.

WEST FRYEBURG.

The Stirling Literary Club met with Mrs. H. Jones last Tuesday. The programme prepared by Mrs. S. Gordon and H. Walker was satisfactorily carried out. The Club has one hundred dollars in the bank presented to them by the Stirling descendents for whom the Club was named. Mrs. Lucretia Haley has the thanks of the members, as it was through her the gift was bestowed.

The officers of the Fryeburg Grange were installed by Mr. Gardner Saturday the 7th. Had a very full meeting. They were served by the young people with a bountiful supper, after which a class of nine received the third and fourth degrees.

School in district No. 9 commenced Jan. 9, Thomas Charles teacher.

Birch hill people have been getting ice the past week. It never was better, no snow in it.

Alvin Jones has lost a valuable horse. He has another on the sick list.

A water famine is imminent on Birch hill, as the brooks that give the supply are freezing solid.

Mrs. W. Robbins was presented with a fine son last week, weighing ten pounds. They are very proud of him.

NORTH WATERFORD

Edwin Jordan passed away last Friday. Funeral services were held in the vestry of the church Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Mr. Skinner. There was a large company present and they all heartily sympathize with the family in their great affliction.

Two ladies from the Maine Missionary Society, Miss Harlow and Miss Washburn, are holding meetings in this village and vicinity this week. We hope their efforts will be crowned with success.

Quite a party from this village attended the Masonic installation and ball at the Flat last Tuesday night. It was a fine affair as usual.

Mrs. Henry Proctor is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bion Bisbee in Auburn.

Frank Jordan of Waltham, Mass., came home to attend the funeral of his father.

RUMFORD.

Mrs. Elias Barker slipped on the ice and hurt her wrist quite badly. It is swollen so much they cannot tell if any bones are broken.

Mr. Bragg and Johnnie Martin at the Point are improving slowly.

Geo. Stearns will teach a high school at the village this spring if scholars enough can be procured. He is called a very nice teacher and his terms are reasonable.

Mrs. Ripley of Paris is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Otis Howe.

Geo. Howe came to town Saturday night.

Retha Glover is at work for Mrs. John Estes.

We are glad to see the vacated house for so long of Henry Barker opened again by the family. Hope they have come to stay this time.

OXFORD.

"For general improvement and intelligence and morals during the past ten years no other school in the county vies with ours," said one of our best informed citizens recently. A little reflection will evince the truthfulness of this statement, and also that our village has just cause to be proud of the advancement and deportment of the scholars in our schools.

A good many apples were frozen during the recent cold spell. This has brought into prominence the fact that apples are really improved in both flavor and keeping qualities by the process of freezing. But they must be thawed very gradually and judiciously.

Francis Holden who has passed 80 birthdays is one of our smart old men. He put on an old fashioned pair of skates last week and astonished the boys with his agility. The ice being very rough and full of cracks he fell several times, but he struck as lightly as a boy, and springing to his feet with a boy's nimbleness, continued his rapid course. He can skate a mile in less than four minutes.

Elbridge Edwards has been confined to the house with a severe cold for about a week. He is now convalescent enough to attend to his daily avocation in the store.

Mrs. George Poor has sold her farm for $2700. Some of the farm implements, etc., will be sold at auction Saturday.

Detective Wormell who has investigated the highway robbery at West Bethel, reported for last weeks ADVERTISER, is rather of the opinion that Dorfman is not a perfectly veracious young man. But Dorfman stoutly maintains his previous statements. Two young men, who as our informant graphically expresses it "Get their living that way," are said to have followed Dorfman to Gilead, and to have been living "like fighting cocks ever since." But this is hardly convincing proof that they robbed the little Jew peddler, for they may have discovered a gold mine in the cold bowels of Gilead's lonely and rugged hills.

One of S. H. Wardwell's drove of oxen slipped on the ice Monday and had to be killed.

Everybody was glad to see the snow storm but the blacksmiths and we think even they were glad of a rest.

POLAND.

L. C. Blair has bought a large pair of oxen of the town farm.

N. E. Tenney has built a hen house 70 feet long, R. S. Herrick one 15x25.

Eva Tenney is quite sick yet but is gaining slowly.

In reading a few weeks ago Joe Holden's trials about his lecture on Bell Hill, Otisfield, I thought how poor Old Ptolemy, Copernicus and Galileo would feel if they only knew how Joe Holden was upsetting all their calculations and theories at one swoop, but Joe has the right to lecture I suppose and people can go to hear him if they please.

I see the county buildings make talk in your county, and we are to have battle here I suppose in regard to a new town around Mechanic Falls, taking portions of Poland and Minot.

WEST STONEHAM.

Elwood Sawyer has gone to North Waterford to work driving team for Ed. Davis, who has taken a job of logging for O. E. McAllister of that place.

Stella Gammon was at home over Sunday from East Stoneham, where she is teaching.

School finished in district No. 3 last Friday taught part of the term by T. S. Hutchins and the remainder by his son, Tommy.

The writer, who has been stopping for a short time at Warren B. McKeen's of Lovell, noticed the fact that there were four generations living in the house. There is a great-grandmother, a grandfather, mother and daughter, the oldest being in her 87th year and the youngest a babe a few days old.

Wm. Gammon went to Norway one day last week.

A very nice time for skaters on Keazer pond the past week. The boys in this vicinity and North Lovell have been improving it.

Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford is one of Gov. Cleaves' council.

BRYANT'S POND.

An effort is being made here to organize a band. The old Bryant's Pond Cornet Band was a good one. Give us another. The new band will have for its leader, A. M. Chase.

A party of twenty-one visited the South Paris Commandery, Monday evening and report a royal good time.

Fred Wyman of Lynn, was in town on a visit last week.

A. M. Whitman Post, No. 67, held their annual installation services on Wednesday evening, Jan. 4th. There was a good attendance, including a number who were not members of the Post. The officers were duly installed by Senior Vice Commander, Charles B. Besse. At the conclusion of these ceremonies the company was invited to sit down to a fine oyster supper. A few speeches were then in order, closing the entertainment, which will be remembered as a very pleasant one to those present. The following are the officers for 1893:—James L. Bowker, Com.; C. B. Besse, S. V. C.; Edwin Brackett, J. V. C.; G. A. Whitman, Q. M.; John Littlefield, O. D.; Samuel T. Ordway, O. G.; James Littlefield, Chap.; J. W. Powers, Surg.; Wm. H. Pearson, Adjt.; Byron V. Bryant, Q. M. Sergt.; John Arkett, Sergt. Major.

Arthur Morton of Everett is on a visit to his brother.

16 below zero Wednesday morning.

D. D. Peverly our carriage maker has secured the services of Mr. Witham a practical carriage smith who comes recommended as a thorough and competent workman. Mr. Peverly is getting out some fine work at his shop this season, he has just delivered his third load of sleighs in the town of Andover.

John Titus has just returned from Chicago, where he has recently been with a car load of apples.

Alton Day, Frank Davis, Archie Felt, John Caffrey, Roscoe Tyler, Frank York and Velma J. Cummings rode the "frisky goat" in Franklin Grange last Saturday, without any serious accident, although the floor was pretty slippery and some suggested that the "goat" ought to be sharpened. He certainly ought to be in good condition as there are 18 more waiting for a ride.

School in the Chase district closes this week. Several of our winter terms have been very small schools, only four or five scholars attending. In one district a school has been running for some time with only two scholars, and some of our citizens are making a bitter complaint against this waste of school money. We do not blame them, but what shall be done? We are not alone in this difficulty. Other towns have found their rural school districts growing smaller and smaller every year until there are scarcely scholars enough for a school. Must these few scholars, whose parents pay an equal share of taxation for the support of schools, be deprived of their school because they do not chance to live in a large district, or what is nearly as bad be compelled to travel a distance of three or four miles over drifting and often impassable roads, with the thermometer in the neighborhood of zero, to attend school in some other district? Who can suggest a remedy? Let our townsmen think this matter over before the next town meeting and if there is a better way let us have it by all means. CLINTON.

RUMFORD CENTRE.

The Grange dinner last Saturday was a very enjoyable occasion. The dinner was elaborate as to variety, quality and quantity. The literary and musical entertainment was under the direction of H. F. Abbott, M. D. He was at his best and when he is then he is a success. Rev. Mr. Mabry read a paper on the old and new in farming. It was a personal sketch from real life entitled "Jacob Smither's Success." "Our Grange Master's Soliloquy" by Dr. Abbott is worthy a place in the ADVERTISER. Lucretia Howe read an original poem which was very highly appreciated. There was instrumental music by a four handed orchestra, vocal by the Grange choir assisted by Prof. and Mrs. W. Scott Wight. The Prof. rendered the "Song of the Forge" in a very admirable manner. Llewellyn Elliot recited "Book Larning." Mrs. Frank Putnam read "The two church Spiders," one of which got fat by spinning his web over the contribution box and was not disturbed because it was not often used. It could not have been in a M. E. church.

Mrs. Betsey Farrar, the mother of Geo. Farrar of Rumford Center, was buried from the church at East Rumford last Wednesday. She was 88 years old last October and had been a member of the M. E. church more than 65 years. She lived a good life and died a triumphant death.

Nettie Thurston slipped on the ice Monday night and struck her elbow crazy bone and it is feared that the bone may be cracked or broken. It is strange that so few accidents have happened as there has been so much ice.

Rev. M. K. Mabry treated himself to a good time last Monday p. m. He went to school. The scholars kept him busy with questions all the time. The school room was his work shop for more than forty years. He has a testimonial signed by the legal voters of school district No. 10 in the town of Porter dated March 2, 1842. He taught ten weeks for $2.50 per week and boarded. It is signed by Phineas Colcord, Moses Hubbard, Job T. Bailey, Asahel Brooks, Josiah Sargent, Caleb E. Colcord, Jona. Philbrook. John Higgins and Ira C. Chase signed his certificate. If any descendants of the above persons are living in Porter and read this item, Mr. Mabry would like to hear from them. He has taught 112 terms of school and sometimes almost wishes to try his hand at the "delightful task to rear the tender thought and teach the idea how to shoot."

Hon. Waldo Pettengill is in town for a few days. He will try and drive two teams, or work in the council at Augusta and in the office of the Rumford Falls Power Co. and he can do it. He has wonderful powers of endurance and lets his moderation be known unto all men, but he gets there all the same.

Rev. Geo. B. Hannaford is with us once again, an ever welcome guest.

FRYEBURG CENTER.

The Grange have taken account of stock in trade and find nineteen hundred dollars worth on hand. They have sold about 5,000 for the past six months. The Grange had a large meeting Saturday, Jan. 7th, and installed their officers.

There is considerable logging done here. Five horse teams and three ox teams pass my house each day. The horses go six times a day each.

Mrs. Charles Chandler, who has been very sick for the past four weeks, is improving. She has had some fine Christmas presents from her daughters and friends in Lowell, Mass.

Mrs. Roxanna Ames, who has been sick for the past four months, does not seem to improve much. She is afflicted with neuralgia in her face and head.

Fred Day has got a good pair of yearling steers. They are Grade Durhams, measure 5 feet and 7 inches and are as handy as oxen. He also has a good pair of two year old steers. They are Grade Herefords, dark red with white faces, measure 6 feet, 1 and 2 inches and are long and heavy of their girt.

WEST BROWNFIELD.

Gerry Linscott is in very feeble health.

Mrs. Rosie Cole is much better and is able to sit up a portion of the time.

Charles Libby, who formerly owned the Rounds place, and sold it to F. D. Osgood, now lives in Boston with his family and has a position in a store there. The late Dr. Tibbetts of Parsonsfield, who was his mother's brother, it is said, has left a portion of his property to him.

Clinton Cole, who left this place nearly eight years ago and opened a boarding house in Boston, has been quite successful in that business and intends to remain there. A large number of people from this section board with him.

Mrs. Eunice Cole now resides in Boston with her son, Clinton.

EAST WATERFORD.

Bert Morrison has gone to Greenwood logging, and Howard Morrison is now on his farm.

Wilma Millett, who has been spending the holidays in Sabattus, has got home.

James Chadbourne has several men cutting cord wood.

People are putting in their ice. It is very good.

Mrs. Otis Martin is very low and cannot live long.

C. W. Gammon has taken a job sawing birch of Howard Morrison and has two men at work for him. Fred Knightly is to haul it in for G. F. Ames.

H. E. Allen was in town over Sunday.

Our school has been dismissed on account of scarlet fever but if there are no new cases it will commence again next week.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

The singing school is progressing finely under the instruction of Mrs Richardson, over fifty pupils in attendance.

Mrs. A. J. Curtis and little son are still at her father's, I. W. Andrews'. Her son has just got up from a severe sickness.

News was received here last Friday by telegram of the sudden death of Mrs. Ziba Andrews of Groveton, N. H., widow of the late Rev. Z. Andrews.

Many of the dairymen are securing nice ice for their creameries from Andrews pond.

There is quite an interest in the meetings here held by Rev. Mr. Keen of East Hebron. He is an excellent preacher and all, old and young, are interested. Hope we can secure him for some time to come.

On account of bad going but little teaming has been done. The principle thing is talking and attending Grange gatherings.

Fred Rich, who cut his foot severely as reported a few weeks since, is doing well and will be out and at work soon.

Fred Thurlow and Hiram Linscott of Norway, are cutting birch on Dunn mountain.

A. E. Cash faces the north-easter six miles and back every day to cut pine on the lot near the Whitman R. R. bridge in Greenwood. Roscoe Tuell draws the pine to Cushman's mill, West Paris.

We have not heard a word from Uncle Eben's pen (the hermit) for a long time. Wake up, Eb, we love to read your articles.

WEST BETHEL.

E. R. Fothergill and wife of Gorham, N. H., have been here to help care for their father.

S. N. Buck, insurance agent, was in this village last Saturday.

W. A. Farwell is obliged to be at home to care for his father. John Rollins takes his place on the railroad.

L. Ordway made a business trip to Portland last Saturday.

Annie Richards was at home from Locke's Mills to visit her parents last week.

A. S. Bean has lost two nice horses recently. One got cast and choked to death in the barn, the other was sick and died. Mr. Bean has just received three more horses from Boston.

Otis Mason has been pretty sick with scarlet fever.

Bailey & Mason have dissolved partnership. Mr. Bailey has moved his collateral to the stable of Mrs. Needham.

The amount of freight sent from this station during the last six months of the 1892 is 2419 tons.

Several aqueducts have been frozen up this cold weather.

Call and see the buff Cochin roosters at A. P. Mason's.

Amos Scribner feels very proud of his steers he bought a short time ago.

Flora Rollins is a smart girl for one of her age. She is now eleven years old and does quite a lot of knitting, knows how to do quite a lot of housework and is now doing some nice fancy work.

EAST HEBRON.

The temperature has been below zero the past week. At the station on Wednesday morning it was 22 degrees below.

Oscar O. Robert's babe died last Saturday. It was 10 months old the day of its death. The child's mother died last May. The babe has always lived with Oscar's parents and her little sister.

Dea. Henry Berry is having many fearfully sick turns. On Saturday morning he was taken violently worse at 3 and continued the same until 8. His son feared when he started for his physician he should not find him living on his return. He has been more comfortable since.

James Fogg is now perfectly insane and has been for a few days much worse than since he began to fail.

Mrs. Laura Russell is very sick with rheumatic fever.

Mrs. Frank Ramsdell has been very sick the past week. She went to her father's, J. Whittemore's to stay until she is better.

School in district No. 4 closed last Friday.

Nettie Fuller is caring for her sister, Laura Russell.

Carrie Monk is at home.

Rev. D. A. Gammon and wife have gone to Roxbury to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Locke.

Mrs. Whiting read a sermon last Saturday in church as we had no clergyman present.

Rev. C. T. Keene led the Wednesday evening prayer meeting.

May Dinsmore is no better.

Mrs. Persis Gilman from Anson is visiting her father, Dea. Henry Berry.

Mrs. Eastman has not been so well the past week. There is more sickness in this place at this time than at any one time for many years.

BYRON.

A petition is in circulation for L. A. Dunn for postmaster at Gum Corner.

Mrs. M. White is at work for Gilbert Hodsdon.

M. E. Taylor has returned from the West, and is stopping with his daughter, Mrs. Geo. Ladd.

Geo. Ladd and Murdock Beaton are gumming regardless of the cold weather near the Four Ponds.

Cortes Bancroft is nearly well again.

Joseph Shortman is cutting wood for Frank Knapp.

Marion Hall is quite sick.

Tax collector F. D. Abbott was around collecting taxes last week. 10 per cent. off if paid the first of January.

The general public are sorry that the old stage driver, Frank Knapp, will not carry the mail the next four years as it has gone into the hands of other parties.

Geo. Thomas returned from the lakes last week, where he has been working in the woods. He brought Perley Whitney with him, who has cut his foot very badly while working in the woods there.

Geo. Goodbout has returned and will finish his poplar job near Geo. Ladd's.

NORTH BUCKFIELD.

Our sick ones are all gaining slowly.

Will Bisbee got hurt quite badly at Heald's saw mill one day last week.

Ruel Gray is going to South Paris to work for G. K. Ripley.

Clinton Mason is at work in Turner.

Guy Turner is at work for Elmer Austin.

J. F. Bicknell is making an ox sled for Calvin Keen.

Gertrude Cary left for Salem, Mass., last Friday.

Henry Fuller is on the sick list.

GILEAD.

Lena Peabody, who has been visiting at H. P. Wheeler's, returned to Gorham, N. H., last Friday.

Mrs. Geo. Bennett and baby went last Friday to Bartlett, N. H., to visit Mrs. B.'s parents.

There will be a box supper and social at the town hall for the benefit of the Good Templars Lodge, next Thursday evening and it is hoped there may be a good attendance.

MASON.

J. H. Bean came home from Augusta, Thursday last. He swapped horses Saturday with John Philbrook of Bethel, got a larger one.

Leon Tyler has swapped farms with Albert W. Grover of West Bethel.

Prescott Bennett fell in his barn last week coming down a ladder and hurt him quite badly, bruising and nearly breaking his arm.

A. S. Bean's steam mill has started up and is sawing spool stock.

Land Conveyances.

EASTERN.

J. F. STANLEY, Register, Paris, Me.

ALBANY.—W. Z. Culbert to W. S. Grover, $550.

BETHEL.—E. E. Burnham et al. to E. C. Park et al., $2800.

BUCKFIELD.—E. U. Morrill to O. H. Hersey, $1.00; K. W. Prince et al. to R. C. Lowe, 200.

CANTON.—I. B. Fuller to L. W. Smith, $400; same to same, 100.

HEBRON.—L. J. Bearce et al. to A. W. Skillings, $1000.

MASON.—I. W. Mason et al. to A. S. Bean, $50.

MEXICO.—L. A. Wellman to A. F. Wentworth, $100.

PARIS.—N. W. Whitman to H. A. Whitman, $1275.

RUMFORD.—J. F. Twombly to G. C. Twombly, $100; R. F. P. Co. to E. W. Grafam, 1.00.

Gen. Benj. F. Butler died at his Washington residence at 1:30 Wednesday morning of heart failure.

Rev. Wm. Farrand Livingston, formerly of Fryeburg, was ordained as deacon in the Protestant Episcopal church at Augusta Friday.

Union winter meeting of the Maine State Pomological Society and the State Board of Agriculture will be held at Augusta, Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan 17 and 18, 1893, in Meonian Hall.

Skoda's Remedies, where best known, have met with a very flattering reception. They are not *patent*, *quack*, nostrums, but are scientifically prepared under the supervision of educated physicians. They are put up in a neat and attractive manner. These consist of Skoda's Discovery, Skoda's Little Tablets, Skoda's German Soap, and Skoda's German Ointment.

In the past few years Hood's Sarsaparilla Calendar has become such a favorite that the people anticipate its annual appearance with pleasure. The calendar for '93 is a little larger than ever before, and bears a beautiful picture of the "Young Discoverers," with a pad below in plain figures. Get a copy of your druggist or send 6 cents in stamps to C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

The Rumford Falls Times is the name of the latest candidate in the field of journalism, just issued by the Rumford Falls Publishing Co. to represent Maine's newest and most thriving manufacturing center, so often called the New City. It is a consolidation of the Canton Telephone, Dixfield Citizen and Rumford Falls Echo, all of which were acquired by the above company three months ago when it succeeded E. N. Carver, in the business established by him ten years ago. Mr. Carver continues as editor and manager.

Capt. C. A. J. Farrar, who has made the Rangeley Lakes famous in his numerous stories of the region, died, Sunday night, at his home in Jamaica Plains, Mass., aged 51 years. Capt. Farrar was born in Maine and spent his early life in the woods and on the lakes of that State. He has piloted a large number of hunting parties through the region and there was probably no man who knew the Rangeley Lake region like Capt. Farrar. He was the author of many stories of adventure of a healthy character for boys, picturing scenes in the woods of Maine. He had also written various guide books for those hunting and fishing resorts. Several years ago he was proprietor of a publishing house but of recent years he had turned all his attention to his books. His wife died a short time ago.

The following members are on the House Joint Committees from this section in the Legislature:—

Agriculture.—Stickney of Brownfield; Warren of Hartford; Jillson of Otisfield.
Indian Affairs.—Abbott of Sumner.
Reform School.—Philbrook of Bethel.
Library.—Roberts of Norway.
State College, etc.—Ayer of Cornish; Littlefield of Poland; Abbott of Sumner.
Mines and Mining.—Warren of Hartford.

Special Committee of Taxation.—Roberts of Norway.

Standing Committees of the House:—County Estimates.—Stickney of Brownfield; Ayer of Cornish.
Elections.—Purington of Minot.
The Senate Committee:—
Legal Affairs, Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and Counties, Hersey.
Library, Tax Reform, and Banks and Banking, Herrick.

SUMNER.

The Christian Endeavor Society held a meeting at the Morrill school-house last Friday night. There was a good attendance considering the severity of the weather. They will hold another meeting at the same place Friday evening, Jan. 20.

Jennie Varney has gone to North Turner to work.

Moses Merrill remains in feeble health.

Wilbur Foster lost a glove while attending the party at N. M. Varney's recently.

Wm. R. Sewall is circulating a petition which is to be presented to the present Legislature in regard to running excursion trains on Sunday.

DIXFIELD.

Fred Walker is still at the depot waiting for some new man to take his place.

Belle Boyd lectured at Music Hall, Monday, to a good sized audience.

The Dramatic Club go to Canton Friday night to play "The Octoroon." Case's Orchestra will accompany them and will have a dance after the play.

Fred Smith, who has been sick with a fever for several weeks, is slowly gaining.

Mrs. Nellie Babb is very sick at this writing.

A. J. Marble of East Rumford, was in town the first of the week selling sleighs.

NORTH CHATHAM, N. H.

Cold weather and plenty of wind.

J. A. Brickett is hauling oak from Elmer Brackett's.

George Blake is in town.

Mrs. William Fife is stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Horace Chandler, for a time.

An open letter to women. No. 1.
Laurel Ave., San Francisco,
May 18, 1892.
"Dear friend of women:
"When my baby was born, five years ago, I got up in six days. Far too soon. Result: falling of the womb. Ever since I've been miserable.
"I tried everything: doctors, medicines, apparatus; but grew worse.
"I could hardly stand; and walking without support was impossible.
"At last I saw an advertisement of Lydia E. Pinkham's *Vegetable Compound*, and decided to try it. The effect was astonishing. Since I took the first bottle my womb has not troubled me, and, thanks only to you, I am now well. Every suffering woman should know how reliable your compound is. It is a sure cure."
Mrs. A. Detwiler.

All druggists sell it, or sent by mail, in form of Pills or Lozenges, on receipt of $1. Correspondence freely answered. Address in confidence, LYDIA E. PINKHAM MEDICAL CO., LYNN, MASS. Liver Pills, 25c.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

Royal Baking Powder
ABSOLUTELY PURE

A. T. BENNETT,
Meats & Provisions,
Norway, Maine.

MOLASSES

Can be got here that will certainly please you, both as to quality and price. He has 3 of the leading brands. Why not try a gallon.

T. L. Webb's Blue Store

The Wide-awake Clothing House of Oxford County, will change its location to the

Millett Shoe Store, Feb. 1, 1893,

giving larger and better accommodations to the growing Clothing Business of T. L. Webb's Blue Store, Norway, Me.

GREAT CLOSING OUT SALE
—OF—
Clothing, Gent's Furnishings,

Hats, Caps, Gloves, Hose, Umbrellas, Rubber Coats, Mackintoshes, Neckwear,

at the Blue Store, is always bought at a better bargain than elsewhere. **Fur Goods.**

I am overstocked with OVERSHIRTS and UNDERWEAR. I have put a price on all my goods that will turn them into Cash at sight.

Be sure and go to Webb's Blue Store as early in January as possible. If you cannot come, send for samples by mail.

Mail orders receive prompt attention, and will be attended to on day received.

MOTTO—Quick Sales and no profits, for Jan., '93.
Every article as represented. Respectfully,
T. L. WEBB, - - - - - Norway.

FLOUR, GRAIN AND FEED.

We have the Largest Stock of Flour, Grain and Feed to be found in Oxford County.

Flour we sell at a lower price than was ever known. Of this there are the several desirable brands that have given such good satisfaction in years past for Pastry, and the world renounced Pillsbury's and Washburn's Flour, which for Bread, are marvels in economy, quantity and excellence in bread-making.

We never was in a better condition to furnish Farmers and Patrons with Cottonseed, Linseed and Glutten Meals, which are fresh and sure to please. We can supply you with Corn, Corn Meal, Oats, Shorts and fancy white Middlings, with several other grades. Our prices are always the lowest on these goods.

PRESSED HAY.—First quality Pressed Hay from Canada, bright, clean and good.

FOR POULTRY, we have a full line of feed, such as smoked wheat, cracked bone, ground oyster shells, beef scraps, and different brands of Egg Food.

SALT for the table, for pickling pork, and in lumps to put in stalls and tiups for horses and cattle.

C. B. CUMMINGS & SONS,
Norway, - - - - - - - Main.

HOWE & RIDLON
Christmas Candies,
Nuts, Figs, Dates, Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Raisins, etc.
—ON SECOND FLOOR,—
Rugs, Hassocks, Carpet Sweepers, etc., etc.
WHEN YOU WANT A GOOD ARTICLE IN
Groceries, Teas, Coffees, Molasses, etc.,
call around. Prices guaranteed to be the highest.
HOWE & RIDLON,
98 Main Street, Opposite Post Office, Norway, Me.
Long's Breakfast Flour in 2 lb. packages; something new. Try it.

MID WINTER
is about here, and
Trade is naturally Dull.
To stimulate it somewhat,
I WILL SELL
At Reduced Prices,
but not at cost as during the last week of the year.
My stock of
STOVES
I will sell very low,
As I do not care to carry any over, especially Coal Heaters.
"Three Dimes are better than one Quarter."
WM. C. LEAVITT,
Norway, - - - - Maine.

GREAT MARK DOWN
—IN—
MILLINERY!
We shall sell all our Hats and Fancy Feathers at cost for the remainder of the season.
Don't forget the place is at
J. SADDINGTON'S,
106 Main St., - - Norway, Me.

BOYS!
Steel Clamp Skates,
Only 45 cents per pair, at
WM. C. LEAVITT'S.
Only a few pairs left.

WE SHALL SELL
—FOR THE—
Next Two Weeks,
CHRISTMAS GOODS,
at a large discount.
Lamps of all kinds,
at reduced prices.
Call on us and get "more than your money's worth."
NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS
are now in order, and you can buy them cheap, of
H. N. BOLSTER,
No. 22 Market Square, - - South Paris.

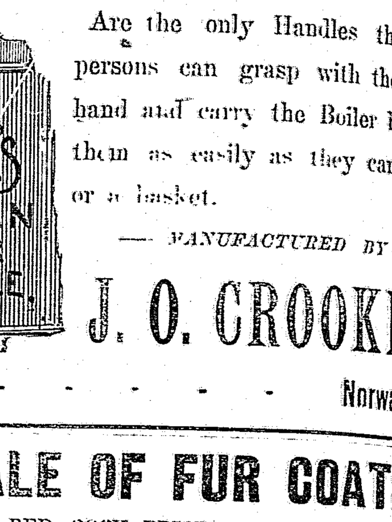
S. RICHARDS,
OPTICIAN
—AND—
WATCHMAKER,

South Paris Maine.

We have
NOT TIME
to enumerate,
but you will find plenty of
Goods for Christmas,
—AT—
HOBBS'
Variety Store.

C. R. MESERVE,
Blacksmith and Horse Shoer,
Bridge St., Norway.
The shoeing of overreaching and interfering horses a specialty. Full line of Horse Medicine for sale. 45-5

CROOKER'S
American Wash Boiler Handles



Are the only Handles that two persons can grasp with the whole hand and carry the Boiler between them as easily as they can a tub or a basket.

—MANUFACTURED BY—
J. O. CROOKER,
138 Main Street. - - - - - - Norway, Me.

GREAT SALE OF FUR COATS!

A Large Assortment at BED ROCK PRICES. I can save you $ on every purchase. *TAKE YOUR PICK* from the very best, while you are about it, and have the advantage of selecting from the Largest line in the county.

A COMBINATION OF BARGAINS

from one end of the stock to the other; it's everywhere the same throughout the store. High grade and low prices go together. A few dollars will buy a large bundle of our Clothing. SEASONABLE GOODS of the HIGHEST MERIT are what we are showing.

Men's, Youth's and Boys' CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS and GENTS' FURNISHINGS, such as are known the world over as A 1. We mark them low to sell them quick. Remember the place.

H. B. FOSTER,
(Successor to F. Q. ELLIOTT & Co.)
133 Main Street, - - - - - Norway, Maine.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

We beg to say to our friends this week,
That of these we've a very large stock
Which we've been selecting for several months
Both in Boston and New York.
In price we start as in years gone by,
With the modest figure three;
These are not very fine, but remembering price,
Prettier than you'd expect to see.
From those we jump over four to five;
Some of these have a colored border,
Some an initial, others plain, all hemstiched.
We've enough to fill many an order.
Then they run on to six, seven, ten,
Thirteen, seventeen and twenty,
Twenty-five, thirty, thirty-three, forty-two,
And at fifty we have a plenty.
Of course many of them are embroidered,
With a hem or a scalloped edge,
With a letter or flower in the corner.
To show them, we beg privilege.
We have a lot of red bandannas,
Sizes medium, small and large,
For these with color warranted,
Six, five, and seven cents we charge.
This verse is only for the young men.
If for some other man's sister or daughter,
You want a handkerchief, we've one quite nice
For a dollar and a quarter.
Biggest stock in Oxford County!
Beg pardon, we never said that at all.
To look at what our neighbors have
We hav'nt had time this fall.
We have a large assortment of linens;
Also of cotton, silk and lace,
And when you're looking for Christmas gifts,
Hope you won't forget our place.
Very Truly,
S. B. & Z. S. PRINCE, 116 Main St., Norway.

THEY SAY
THAT
La Grippe is Coming!

Prepare your bodies to meet it by a timely administration of
Noyes Vegetable Bitters.
Cure that Cough by using Noyes Cough Syrup, you can find these valuable remedies only at
The Noyes Drug Store.

GREAT MARK DOWN
—IN—
Ladies' Carmetns.

For the Next Ten Days I shall offer all of my Winter Garments for Ladies and Children at Cost.
Ladies' Plush Sacques, Jackets and Newmarkets.
Children's Long Garments and Jackets.
Fur Shoulder Capes and Muffs.
ALL AT COST!
MERRITT WELCH,
Successor to Smiley Bros.,
NORWAY, - - - - - MAINE.

THIS
IS THE SEASON OF BARGAINS
—AT—
Oxford County Shoe Store.

Headquarters for Ladies' and Gents'
WARM GOODS!

Our Stock is complete and best quality. Our price is as low as the lowest.

We are receiving new goods every week, and you can find just what you want, and lowest prices.

Oxford County Shoe Store,
Norway, - - - - - - Maine.
F. W. FAUNCE, Clerk.

SUBSCRIPTION NOTICE. If blue mark is drawn through this p... it shows you that your subscription... paper expires, and no more paper... sent unless it is renewed.

CARD OF THANKS. We wish to express our thanks to ... neighbors and friends for their kind... ing the sickness and death of our baby. MR. & MRS. C. L. ... Norway, Me.

BUSINESS SPECIALS. Under this head business notices ... serted for 10 cents per line each inse...

Dr. Danforth's Bitters and Dr. Palmer's Sarsaparilla on sale at Tubbs & Co.'s, made by Chas. A. ...

Lost on the street a folding de... The finder will be rewarded by le... at this office.

H. B. Foster has some barg... clothing and gents' furnishings. He is still selling the Celebrated ... Stay, price 25 cents. Sent by m... receipt of price.

Anyone wanting clothes wring... find them at Hobbs' Variety Store.

Choicest line of cigars in town ... Noyes Drug Store.

Merritt Welch gives some ... goods in his line that will please ... buyer. Read his ad. You w... money by calling at his store.

George A. Cleveland of the Di... tom Shirt Co. of Bangor, will b... Beal's House in Norway, Mond... Tuesday, Jan. 23 and 24. Those ... ly to be reached at the business p... Norway and South Paris, who ... like to place measures with this ... obtain their fine work in full dre... ness, short bosom, percale (with ... and cuffs to match) negligee or ... shirts, nightrobes, collars, cuffs, ... do so by calling at the hotel ... o'clock evenings, or be waited ... their residence by dropping a ... word to the same.

Stop that cough! A twenty-... bottle of Noyes' Cough Syrup w... ly do it.

Emerson Kilgore picked up a ... coat in the road between Norway ... and Lake last Tuesday. The own... have it by calling on Mr. Kilgore.

NORWAY AND VICINITY. C. G. Blake has been elected M... Davis, West Virginia, for the nex...

Selectman F. L. Noyes has been ... ing wood from Capt. Amos Noye... lot above Noble's Corner the past...

Levi Frost has gone to Gra... drive a team for C. E. Ryerson ... recently bought a team of A. F. A... & Sons.

S. H. Hayden and family have ... to Auburn. They have rente... house here to John J. Hayden. ... hired out for a year but he does ... tend to leave town for good, says ... be back here by and by.

The following officers of Wil... campment were installed last ... by D. D. G. P., A. E. Shurtleff ... L. H. Cushman; C. P., Geo. A. ... W., B. W. Wood; J. W., W. A. ... Scribe, C. G. Mason; Treas., ... Pike.

Mell Sampson says that ... Tuell's sorrel Jim and his little ... a brush, Tuell found that his ... not in it so he traded him for ... Mell will now take the fastest ... and race for money, ... or wind, ... ed Tuell will use hobbles to ... horse in the road. Mell thinks T... strike a header and then it will ... overboard!

Last Saturday, D. D. G. C., ... Wilkins went to Hanover for the ... of publicly installing the officers ... ford Bear, No. 54, K. of P. He ... companied by P. C., T. L. Heath, ... Packard, H. Clark, and Knigh... and Arthur Norseworthy wen... them. They report a very pleasa... Geo. A. Wilkins also goes to Son... this week and probably to Stoneh... the purpose of installing their off...

May 5th, 1885, T. L. Webb with ... ner opened the Clothing House ... way, Me., known as T. L. Webb's ... Store. His business has incre... such an extent that the store n... pied has become too small for it. ... Millett going out of the shoe ... has opened the way for Mr. Web... large his business still more by ... his store. In regard to the ne... everything that could be done to ... modern Clothing and Furnishing ... has been done, adding 9 ft. more ... case for the display of neckwe... small furnishings, two large sh... dows, a hat department that ... 30 ft. of one side of the store, a ... venient office and dressing ro... 8 new tables for clothing. The ... be lighted by the Maine New ... which is the popular light of ... And one of the most important ... will be the best selected and fash... stock of goods in his line. Mr. W... a firm believer in honest goods ... prices and he well deserves the la... growing patronage he now enjoy...

A STOCK ... Full of ...
Is what we have left afte... est every wearer of cl... REACH THE ...
If in Want of Ulsters,
We have them at all p... from Three Dollars up. ... to *OVERCOATS*, we ... sell you one at most ... price, all of them h... been marked down, m... a saving to you on any ...
Men's Suits,
In all varieties of *ST*... and *PATTERNS*, from ... Dollars up.
Fur Overcoats
Is where we can save ... money. We have ... from Ten Dollars upw... We can lead them a... Furs.
REMEMBER That ... you to call and see for yourself, ... stock and fit you to one of our ...
H. B. ...
(Successor ...
133 Main Street, ...

EGGS ARE S... TO MAKE ... Prolific ... FOR ... The Noye...